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HIYE MARU	Sunday, 3rd July.
HEIAN MARU	Sunday, 3rd July.
LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM via Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Suez.	
FUSHIMI MARU	Saturday, 28th May.
HAKOZAKI MARU	Saturday, 11th June.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Port.	
KITANO MARU	Saturday, 28th May.
ATSUTA MARU	Saturday, 26th June.
OMBAI via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	
TOTTORI MARU	Sunday, 29th May.
KAGA MARU	Saturday, 11th June.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.	
BOKUYO MARU	Thursday, 7th July.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.	
LIVERPOOL via Saigon, Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus, Genoa, Marseilles & Valencia.	
DAKAR MARU	Wednesday, 18th June.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
TOKUSHIMA MARU	Sunday, 29th May.
NAGATO MARU	Wednesday, 8th June.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	
HAKODATE MARU	Sunday, 29th May.
TOKIWA MARU (calls S'hai)	Monday, 6th June.
HARUNA MARU (calls Shanghai)	Friday, 10th June.

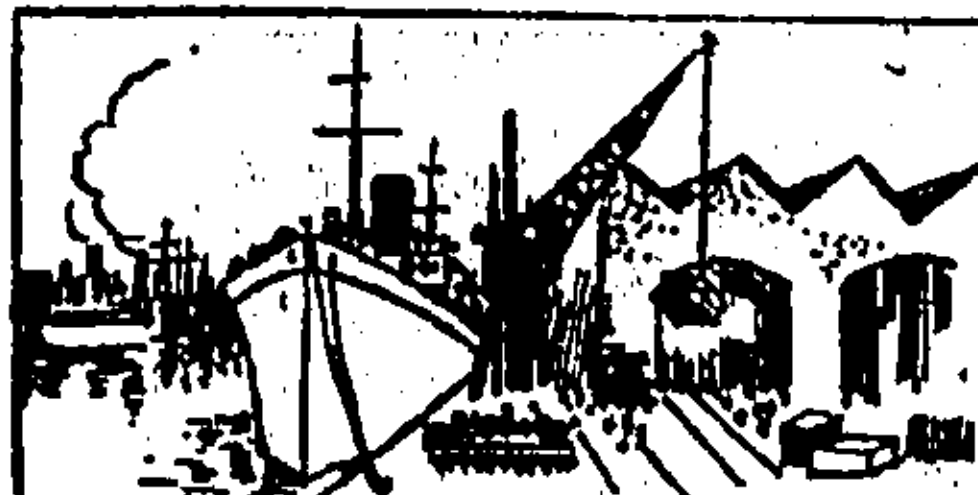
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SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Salon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Capetown.	La Plata Maru	Tues.	14th June
MOMBASA, ZANZIBAR, DAKAR, SALAM, BEIRA, LORENCO, MARQUES, DURBAN, PORT ELIZABETH & CAPE TOWN THENCE TO RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Singapore & Colombo.	Africa Maru	Tues.	7th June
MELBOURNE via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney	Sydney Maru	Sun.	6th June
JAPAN PORTS (Frequent Service).	Havana Maru	Mon.	6th June
LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez & Port Said.	Andes Maru	Tues.	7th June
NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles & Panama, Call Direct at Boston, Philadelphia & Baltimore.	Hokuroku Maru	Tues.	7th June
BOMBAY via Singapore, Balawan Dali & Colombo.	Hague Maru	Fri.	3rd June
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Balawan Dali & Rangoon.	Sumatra Maru	Wed.	1st June
KEELUNG via Swatow & Amoy (3 p.m. every Sunday).	Hozan Maru	Sun.	29th May
JAPAN PORTS via Takao & Keelung.	Canton Maru	Sun.	5th June
YOKOHAMA, SWATOW & AMOY	Deli Maru	Thurs.	2nd June

OSAKA, KOBEN, KAISHA



Shipping Intelligence

HARBOUR OFFICE.

Good Freight Figures Yesterday.

The Harbour Office Reports for the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. yesterday gave a free movement of vessels with a high tonnage. Freight were up to the mark, both the inwards and throughs reaching five figures. The total tonnage entered was 35,605.

There were 10 inward registries, of which five were British and four of four figures, while of the eight throughs, five were British and four of four figures. Two vessels arrived in ballast.

Passengers entered during the period included 100 Europeans and 2,425 Asiatic deck, British vessels carrying 2,368 out of the total in all classes.

Details follow:-

Nationality	Arr. H'Kong	Dep. Through	Cargo Tons
British	7	4,791	6
American	1	854	2
French	1	14	2
Dutch	2	9,500	2
Norwegian	2	75	4
Chinese	2	75	2
German	—	—	1
Danish	—	—	1
Japanese	—	—	2
	15	15,274	22
			14,218

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Chipshing, British str., 1,199 tons, Capt. J. H. Ferguson, from Canton, buoy No. B2.—J.M. & Co.	Tuesday, May 24.
Phasianella, British str., 393 tons, Capt. J. Y. Lee, from Foochow, North Point Wharf.—A.P.C.	Wednesday, May 25.
Ajax, British str., 4,793 tons, Capt. E. Jones, from Shanghai, buoy No. A1.—B. & S.	Wednesday, May 25.
Blodd, Norwegian str., 1,075 tons, Capt. Paul Rasmussen, from Canton, Yumait Anchorage.—K. Larsen & Co.	Wednesday, May 25.
Fingal, Norwegian str., 1,244 tons, Capt. B. Bolt, from Bangkok, buoy No. B17.—Thoresen & Co.	Wednesday, May 25.
Haining, British str., 832 tons, Capt. E. Walker, from Swatow, Douglas Wharf.—Douglas & Co.	Wednesday, May 25.
Hangsang, British str., 1,356 tons, Capt. A. D. Kelman, from Shanghai, West Point Wharf.—J.M. & Co.	Wednesday, May 25.
Helikon, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. W. Anderson, from Saigon, buoy No. B11.—Wo Fat Sing.	Wednesday, May 25.
Hozan Maru, Japanese str., 1,383 tons, Capt. T. Kawamata, from Swatow, O.S.K. Wharf.—O.S.K.	Wednesday, May 25.
Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Capt. J. Mitchell, from Swatow, Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On & Co.	Wednesday, May 25.
Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,507 tons, Capt. T. Tomimaga, from Canton, Stonecutters.—N.Y.K.	Wednesday, May 25.
Mao Lee, Chinese str., 1,209 tons, Capt. Watanabe, from Swatow, buoy No. B8.—Yee Tai Hong.	Wednesday, May 25.
Melville Dollar, American str., 4,319 tons, Capt. O. Arneson, from Shanghai, buoy No. A11.—Dollar S.S. Line.	Wednesday, May 25.
Minnie, Moller, British str., 1,880 tons, Capt. F. A. Howard, from C.W. Tao, buoy No. B28.—Dedwell & Co.	Wednesday, May 25.
Shantung, British str., 1,568 tons, Capt. Campbell, from Canton, buoy No. B9.—B. & S.	Wednesday, May 25.
Tainan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. W. Shan, from Canton, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.	Wednesday, May 25.
Wing Wo, Portuguese str., 495 tons, Capt. I. Lemos, from K.C. Wan, Salkong Wharf.—Wo Hop & Co.	Wednesday, May 25.

CLEARANCES.

Matusang, for Sandakan.	Wednesday, May 25.
Kaitangas, for Canton.	Wednesday, May 25.
Van Heuts, for Swatow.	Wednesday, May 25.
Kwantung, for Canton.	Wednesday, May 25.
Shantung, for Swatow.	Wednesday, May 25.
Tainan, for Amoy.	Wednesday, May 25.
Tjlkambang, for Amoy.	Wednesday, May 25.
Achilles, for Japan.	Wednesday, May 25.
Tjank, for Singapore.	Wednesday, May 25.

STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada arrived at Shanghai on May 24 (Tues.) at 3 p.m., left Shanghai yesterday at noon, and is due at Hong Kong to-morrow at 7 a.m. She leaves for Manila to-morrow at 6 p.m.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan arrived at Vancouver on May 24 (Tues.) afternoon, leaves Vancouver on June 5 (Sun.), and is due at Hong Kong on June 25 (Sat.). She leaves for Manila on June 25 (Sat.) evening.

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia left Vancouver for Hong Kong via Japan ports and Shanghai on May 21, and is due at Hong Kong on June 8. She leaves for Manila on June 8 evening.

The Ben Line s.s. Benvannoch from Leith, Middlesbro', Antwerp, London and Straits for this port, is due to arrive here on June 12.

CHINA STATION CHANGES

Two Cruisers Going Home.

H.M.S. Canterbury, now stationed at Hankow, is to be relieved by H.M.S. Kent on May 29, and will sail for Shanghai and Hong Kong on May 30. She is expected here on June 7, and will leave for Home on June 13, arriving in England about August 4.

H.M.S. Kent, flying the G. in C's, flag arrived at Nanking from Weihaiwei on Monday and sails for Hankow tomorrow.

H.M.S. Caradoc, proceeding Home from the Yangtze to reef and recommission arrived here this morning, and will leave on Monday next, being due to arrive in England on July 12. It is expected that H.M.S. Caradoc will arrive back on China Station about the end of October.

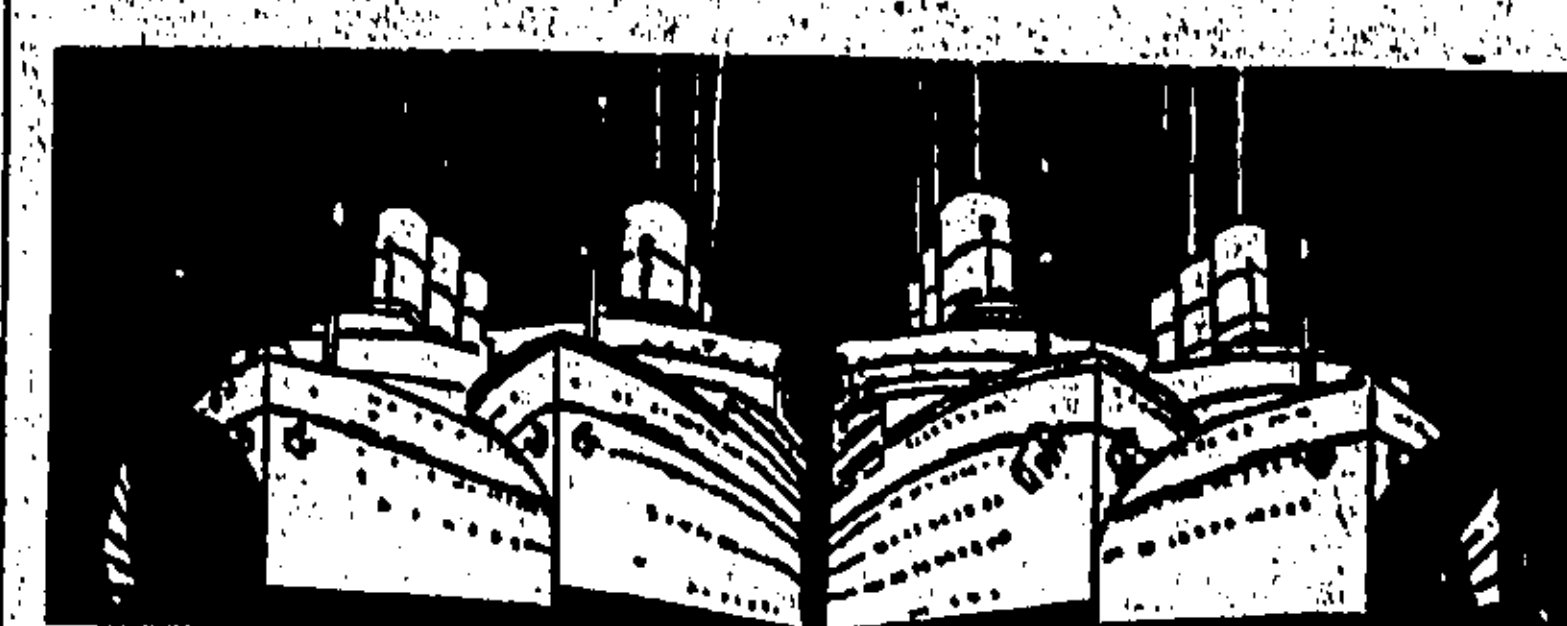
POST OFFICE NOTICE.

INWARD MAILS.

Amoy	THURSDAY, MAY 26.	Tilawa
Manila	FRIDAY, MAY 27.	President Madison
Japan and Shanghai		Fushimi Maru
Japan		Kitano Maru
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., May 7)		Empress of Canada
Europe via Negapatam (Papers only, London, April 28)	SATURDAY, MAY 28.	Bhutan
Japan and Shanghai		Tatsuta Maru
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, April 29)		Pres. Van Buren
Straits	SUNDAY, MAY 29.	Mirzapore
Japan and Shanghai		Hiye Maru
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, May 6)	MONDAY, MAY 30.	President Lincoln
Manila		Chichibu Maru
Calcutta and Straits	TUESDAY, MAY 31.	Santhia
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London, May, and Pareels, April 28)	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1.	Kaiser-I-Hind
Japan		Tanda

OUTWARD MAILS.

Swatow	THURSDAY, MAY 26.	Hydrangea	3 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow		Kong So	4 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan		Hakusan Maru	4.30 p.m.
Saigon		Pong Tong	5 p.m.
Swatow	FRIDAY, MAY 27.	Kwangtung	10.30 a.m.
Haiphong		Canton	2.30 p.m.
Swatow and Bangkok		Mul Nam	3 p.m.
Poochow		Tean	4.30 p.m.
Manila		Empress of Canada	4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.		President Madison	
Japan and Europe via Siberia		(Due Victoria, B.C., June 14.)	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles		Parcels	May 27, 3 p.m.
		Registration	4.15 p.m.
		Letters	5 p.m.
		President Madison	
		Registration	May 27, 5 p.m.
		Letters	6 p.m.
K.P.O.	Registration May 27, 4.30 p.m.	G.P.O.	Registration May 28, 8.45 a.m.
Letters	May 28, 9 a.m.	Letters	9.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island		Kitano Maru	
		(Due Thursday Island, June 9.)	
		Registration	May 27, 5 p.m.
		Letters	May 28, 9 a.m.
SATURDAY, MAY 28.		Tilawa	
Straits and Calcutta		Parcels	May 28, Noon.
Amoy		Letters	1 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan		Chenan	3.30 p.m.
Manila		Bhutan	5 p.m.
		Pres. Van Buren	5 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	SUNDAY, MAY 29.	Kalgan	9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow		Hozan Maru	9 a.m.
Manila		Tatsuta Maru	9 a.m.
Tuesday, May 31.		Tjlkambang	9.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow		Hai Yang	1 p.m.
Manila		President Lincoln	4.30 p.m.
Swatow		Hakusan Maru	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, C. and S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.		Kitano Maru	
		(Due Thursday Island, June 9.)	
		Registration	May 27, 5 p.m.
		Letters	May 28, 9 a.m.



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Emp. of Japan	July 1	July 4	July 6	July 8	July 14	July 19
Emp. of Asia	July 15	July 18	July 19	July 21	July 23	Aug. 1

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	1932.		
*TILAWA	10,000	28th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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		25th June	

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1922.			
*MIRZAPORE	6,700	28th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
*BHUTAN	9,000	1st June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHA	9,000	2nd June	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KAISAR-I-HIND	12,000	22nd June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NANKIN	7,000	6th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yama.
*AKA'DA	7,000	16th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	16th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*SOUDAN	4,800	22nd June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SIBDHANA	8,900	30th June	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.

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The two faster voyage of the Viceroy of India will occupy 16 days instead of the usual 20 days from London to Bombay. One will be in September, leaving London on the 17th, and the other in October, leaving on the 29th. Marseilles will be reached in five days, and Port Said in nine days. The saving in time will be effected by higher speed over the whole route, excluding the Suez Canal, a shorter stay at Marseilles, and the omission of Malta and Aden as ports of call. These two sailings of the Viceroy of India will be in addition to the regular weekly sailings, which will be taken on Sept. 16 and Oct. 28 by the Corfu and Kaisar-i-Hind respectively.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E.; 00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be *added* to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be *subtracted* from the depths.

May 25 to 31, 1932.									
Date		High Water Standard Ht.			Low Water Standard Ht.				
		Times.			Times.				
	May	H.	M.	F.	H.	M.	F.		
Wed.	25	02	45	4.1	05	04	3.8		
		12	18	7.1	20	06	4.7		
Thurs.	26	04	04	6.0	21	07	4.5		
		13	05	6.6	21	10	4.7		
Fri.	27	05	20	4.4	07	46	4.8		
		13	54	6.1	22	06	4.4		
Sat.	28	06	04	4.6	09	46	4.1		
		14	55	5.4	22	05	4.8		
Sun.	29	08	34	4.8	11	05	3.7		
		16	12	4.7	23	28	2.6		
Mon.	30	07	00	4.6					
		17	51	4.4	12	15	3.5		
Tues.	31	07	24	5.4	00	05	2.5		
		19	20	4.0	13	10	2.7		

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Much that is nonsense has been written concerning the national aspect of the problem of fuel for merchant ships, and in particular relating to the alleged loss of trade to this country through the employment of oil fuel instead of coal. The plight into which the coal industry and those who support coal have fallen may be exaggerated from the fact that suggestions have even been made to use coal again on warships, also on ships like the big new Cunarders. It is also even said that shipowners should use coal because it is a patriotic to do so and gives employment to miners. It would also cause unemployment to British ships and their crews if unable to compete with foreign-owned motor ships that prove more economical, and it is surprising that the argument is put forward by serious people.

It can, however, be shown that the advent of the motor ship has not been so detrimental to the trade of this country as had been imagined. The amount of British bunkering coal sold in 1930 was 9,700,000 tons less than in 1918, the value being approximately £7,000,000. During the years of 1930 and 1931 the total value of motor ships built for export was £12,000,000, or an average of £6,000,000 per annum. Not a penny of this would have been available if British engineers had not laid themselves out to build Diesel machinery, for the owners in question required motor ships and not steamers and would have gone to other countries if they had not been able to obtain them economically and of efficient construction in the United Kingdom. Thus, the export value of the new industry

Two seasons ago the Swedish barque C. B. Pederson, met with terrific seas, accompanied by snow and cutting hail, attempting to round Cape Horn.

She shipped tons of water and was driven miles out of her course. Eventually she had to give up all hope of rounding the Horn, and ran up to the western coast of South America to Panama, where she refitted before attempting the storms of the Atlantic.

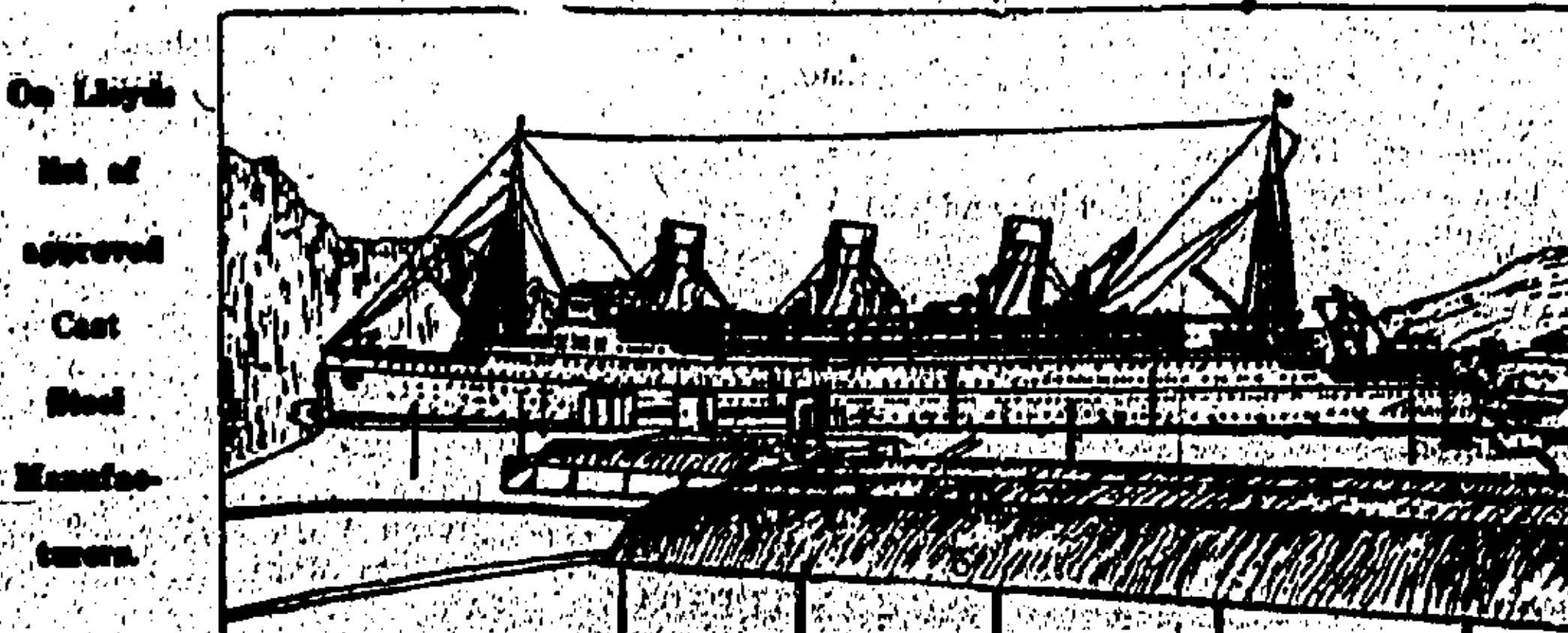
in this country. The sum spent on ships built for the transport of coal was negligible in comparison

Even if it did not stultify progress—a policy which must, in the end, always recoil on its originators—the attempt to obstruct the

It is often assumed that the purchase of oil means expenditure abroad without return and with a

consequent adverse effect on the trade balance. Actually oil is, in many cases, a product dependent practically entirely on British capital, and only a small percentage goes abroad. Moreover, the demand for oil has a very beneficial influence on shipbuilding. Last year motor tankers for the carriage of liquid fuel were built in this country totalling 266,000 tons gross, and their cost was approximately \$5,500,000, an amount which was paid to British shipbuilding yards and helped to maintain one of the premier industries

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Steamer	Leaves Hong Kong.	Arrives Wuchow.	Leaves Wuchow.	Arrives Hong Kong.
TAI HING	SAT. 23d	MON. 24th	TUES. 25th	WED. 1st
TAI MING	MON. 24th	WED. 1st	THURS. 2nd	FRI. 3rd

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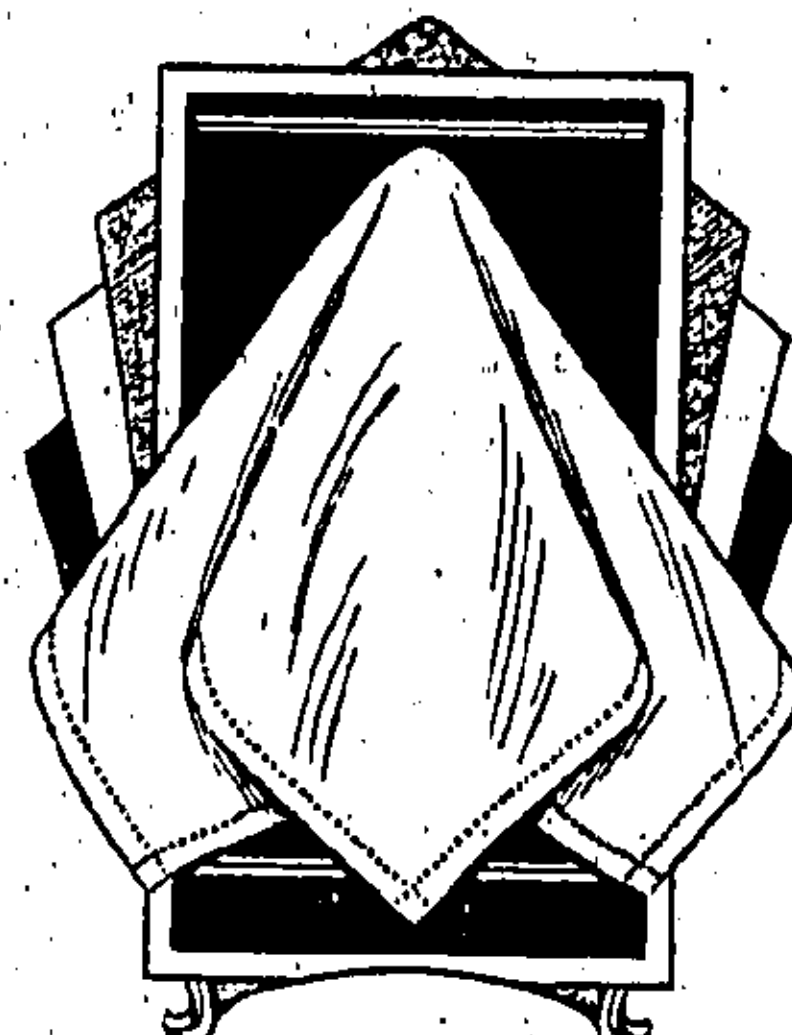
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The China Mail.

Hong Kong, Thursday, May 26, 1932.

The Early Pioneers.

It is a significant sign of the times that the term "pioneer" is scarcely ever heard now in the British Colonies, unless it be in reference to the early settlers who played a constructive part in the development of the country. The Colonies as we see them to-day, with their magnificent roads, sturdy buildings and efficient public health organisations, are barely fifty years old. Half a century ago the principal roads were but tracks impassable for modern motor traffic, the buildings were insanitary and primitive, and the health services were lacking in most of the amenities we demand to-day. One is apt to forget what those old pioneers did for the Colonies; that it was their money, their courage and their boundless energy which made it possible for the Governments of their day to lay the foundations of the splendid cities—Singapore and Hong Kong, to mention only two—which the young colonist is apt to take too much for granted.

In listening to the broadcast speech which the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock delivered on "the air" on Tuesday evening, one was made to realise the difficulties and the obstacles which Englishmen had to face half a century ago. As Sir Henry himself says, few of the comforts of modern civilisation were to be procured in Hong Kong when he first arrived in the Colony. The Peak tram had not commenced its convenient journey, and the trip uphill had to be made in sedan chairs, an expensive and arduous form of travel. There were no electric railways, no golf links for the tired tycoon to blow away the cobwebs upon, no telephones for the convenience of brokers, no electric light or fans, (other than the old-fashioned, creaky punkah) and no motor vehicles. It was a city of hard work and few amusements and those who retired in those days generally had earned their leisure many times over.

One of the most important discoveries which has been made since Sir Henry's time, of course, was Sir Ronald Ross's discovery of the

anopheles as the cause of malaria. Before that remarkable revelation. It was believed by experienced medical men that malaria was due to the release of poisonous gases caused by the upturning of the soil. So men continued to die in their hundreds, having as they believed, no need of a mosquito net and fearing nothing but the discomfort of a bite. To-day, with our "Filti" and "Sfolltox" our nets and quinine, we are comparatively immune from the malarial scourge, and it is pathetic to think of the numerous deaths the early pioneers suffered owing to the ignorance of medical science.

A man out East more or less carried his life in his hands in the 'eighties. There was no wireless to warn mariners of approaching typhoons, and no telephone to summon the fire brigade whenever fire broke out in the wooden-built houses of the Chinese quarter. Parts of the Colony which now possess splendid motor roads were at that time practically inaccessible, including the site of the Repulse Bay Hotel, which was a spot formerly notorious for the visits of tigers.

Indeed, the changes in that short space of time have been remarkable, in every field of development. In 1883, for example, the only important district in the British section of Kowloon, as distinct from the Chinese section, was Yau Ma Tei, and the census of 1891 shows that the population of British Kowloon was then just under 20,000 persons. Of late, and especially during the past ten years, the increase of buildings and of the population on the Kowloon Peninsula, right up to the foothills, has been astonishing; with the result that the population of the whole Peninsula, doubled between the years 1921 and 1931. In the latter year the population of the Peninsula was 285,000 persons.

No doubt the young man of to-day will live to see similar radical changes in the Colony, since it is practically certain that the next fifty years will bring remarkable developments in locomotion, wireless telegraphy, transportation and building. But the path has already been laid down for him by the early pioneers, and it follows that the young man of to-day should not be ungrateful to their memory.

FLOOD HAVOC IN ENGLAND

Over 2,500 Persons
Evacuate Homes.

**ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR
ACCOMMODATION**

**Remedial Measures for
the Future.**

London, Yesterday.
The Health Minister, Sir Hilton Young, stated in the House of Commons to-day that, owing to the floods at Bentley, Yorkshire, about 2,500 persons are evacuating their homes to-day.

Many would have, go to friends and adequate arrangements had been made for the accommodation of others.

Various land drainage authorities are considering remedial measures to prevent similar floods in the future.—British Wireless Service.

SIR RONALD ROSS GRAVELY ILL

**Man Who Discovered
Cause of Malaria.**

**SPENT FORTUNE IN STUDY
DISEASES**

**Formerly Practised in
Hong Kong.**

London, Yesterday.
Sir Ronald Ross is seriously ill. He has been taken to the Ross Institute in London.—Reuter.

Practised in Colony.
Colonel Sir Ronald Ross, K.C.B., M.D., Consultant in Malaria to the Ministry of Pensions, was the first scientist to discover that malaria was caused by the bite of the anopheles mosquito. For many years he practised in Hong Kong in partnership with the late Sir James Cantile, the founder of the Hong Kong School of Tropical Medicine, in which the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen graduated.

Sir Ronald entered the Indian Medical Service in 1881 and commenced a special study of malaria. In 1895 he undertook experimental verification of the mosquito-theory of malaria, and discovered the life-history of malarial-bearing parasites in mosquitoes in 1898.

Expedition to Africa.
The following year he was the leader of an expedition which found malaria-bearing mosquitoes in West Africa and laid down methods for large-scale malarial reduction. He retired from the Indian Medical Service in 1899 and studied malaria and tropical diseases in Hong Kong and Malaya.

During the War he was Consultant in Chief to the War Office and later founded the Ross Institute and Hospital for Tropical Diseases. A few years ago a fund was opened on his behalf, as he had exhausted his entire fortune on behalf of tropical disease investigation. The Colonies contributed very generously to this fund. Sir Ronald is 75.

EXPORT OF ARMS TO CHINA

(Continued from Page 1.)

Mr. D. J. Colville, replying to Mr. McGovern's question as to whether the Government would consider stopping the export of these munitions, said that unilateral action by this country would not be effective.—Reuter.

A Plumber M.P.
Mr. John McGovern has been Labour Member for the Shettleston Division of Glasgow since 1930. He is Chairman of the Parkhead Branch of the Independent Labour Party and Vice-Chairman of the Glasgow I.L.P. Federation. Until 1925, he lived in Australia. He is a plumber by trade.

Mr. David John Colville, M.A., is Unionist Member for North Midlothian and was formerly a Major in the Scottish Rifles. He is Vice-President of the Association of British Chambers of Commerce.

News in Brief.

H. E. the General Officer Commanding (Major-General) L. W. Sandilands, C.B., (C.M.G., D.S.O.) will lay the foundation stone of the Girl Guides Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. to-day. The new Headquarters is in Garden Road opposite St. John's Cathedral, and is close to the Boy Scouts Association Headquarters. All members of the movement will be warmly welcomed at the ceremony, which will be held at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

Correspondence.

KOWLOON'S RECLAMATIONS

[The Editor, "China Mail."]

Sir,—Those who listened in last evening and others who read their newspapers to-day must have been delighted with Hong Kong's "Grand Old Man's" interesting recital of the improvements in Hong Kong and at Kowloon, the cumulative effect of which sums up the Colony's amazing growth and development during the past 44 years.

It is true that the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., in his list of the reclamations carried out during the period under review, contented himself with mentioning only "the most important ones" during his time.

Ever jealous of Kowloon's importance and the ever-increasing part it has taken and will continue to take in the growth of the Colony, Sir Henry will probably pardon me if I suggest an addition or two to his list of reclamation works. On the Kowloon side, far the most important is the reclaiming from the sea of Tsimshatsui Bay. This reclamation gave the Colony the immense area enabling the locating of the Railway Station at Kowloon Point, the construction of the imposing block of warehouses known as Hoi's Godowns, and the palatial Peninsula Hotel, leaving sufficient ground space for a new Post Office which, when built, should add to the architectural embellishments of Kowloon's waterfront. It was due to the large vision and unbounded confidence in the future of the Colony that led my old and respected friend, Mr. Robert Gordon Shaw, to make the first move that led to Tsimshatsui Bay being put up to public auction for sale.

The Yau Ma Tei reclamation set back for a couple hundred feet, if not more, the police station on Temple Street and the water pumping station. The Hung Hom Bay reclamation permitted of the construction of Chatham Road, named after a former Director of Public Works, and the laying down of the railroad. Socony's private enterprise at Laichikok added the extensive area of land for the oil installation and contingent works. The Cheungshan reclamation is still in progress and another in contemplation at Tsun Wan will build up a new township in the New Territories in the near future. The Sham Tseng Bay reclamation on Castle Peak Road has made room for new industries in the New Territories.

On Hong Kong side there are the following reclamations of much importance: (1) Causeway Bay affording much room for recreation like polo, cricket, football, tennis, etc.; (2) North Point for the erection of the A.P.C. large oil installation; and (3) further eastward the Sugar King's reclamation which promises to become an important industrial district.

Will Sir Henry please pardon me if I suggest the inclusion in his very interesting review of the Homuntin building scheme which owed its initiation to Mr. F. P. de V. Soares, and the Kowloon Tong Garden City Scheme which has added to the Colony's housing facilities in the suburban area about 300 houses with prettily laid-out lawns and gardens that are such a delight to the residents.

I recognise the limitations as to time when speaking into the microphone. Perhaps another occasion will be found when Sir Henry Pollock will oblige his friends and other admiring residents of Hong Kong with a longer narrative of the progress the Colony has made since he first landed here on April 2, 1888.

Yours, etc.,
J. P. BRAGA.

P.S.—There is a slight error in the initials of the donor of the free use of the Peak Hospital. Was not Mr. J. E. Joseph the public benefactor? Mr. J. E. Joseph is an elder brother of Mr. Felix A. Joseph M.J., Ingkong Kong while the former is on leave in England.

SIR HENRY'S REPLY

[To the Editor, "China Mail."]
I am much obliged to my Honourable friend, Mr. J. P. Braga, for his additions to the important events mentioned in my broadcast address, in which I quite concurred and

REPAYMENT OF WAR DEBTS

**To Be Paid by Equal
Annuities.**

**SUSPENDED UNTIL
JUNE 30**

**Formal Agreement
to Be Signed.**

London, Yesterday.
The Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, in the House of Commons to-day confirmed the announcement of the impending signature of an agreement with the United States for the repayment of amounts suspended in respect of the British War Debt to the United States. He said that under President Hoover's proposal all inter-Governmental payments in respect of reparations and war debts were suspended for the period of July 1, 1931 to June 30, 1932.

It was agreed at the London Conference in August last that the amounts so suspended should be paid by means of 10 equal annuities as from July 1, 1933 with interest.

Protocols were signed at the London Conference providing for payment on the above loans of amounts suspended in respect of German reparation payments and war debts to this country.

Suspended Amounts.
The United States Government recently requested His Majesty's Government and other Governments concerned to sign agreements regarding the amounts suspended in respect of their war debts to the United States Government, and instructions had been sent to the Ambassador to Washington to complete and sign the agreement relating to the British War Debt.

He added that this was a formal step necessary in order to give local effect to President Hoover's proposal and implied no decision on any question.—British Wireless Service.

JAPANESE GENERAL DIES

**Victim of Shanghai
Bomb Outrage.**

**REMARKABLE FIGHT
FOR LIFE**

**Body to Be Removed
to Tokyo.**

Shanghai, Yesterday.
After being so often reported dead by reliable sources and then reviving, General Shirakawa died this morning at six o'clock, after making a most remarkable fight for life.

The body is being shipped to Tokyo on board a Japanese cruiser.—Reuter.

The outrage occurred at Hongkew Park, Shanghai, on April 28, during a military review held in honour of the Emperor's birthday. A Korean hurled a bomb which landed on the platform where the official party, including Mr. Shigemitsu, Japanese Minister to China, Mr. Murali, Consul-General, General Uyeda and General Shirakawa were standing during the march past of the troops. Mr. Murali and Mr. Shigemitsu were gravely injured and later died, whilst Mr. Murali and General Shirakawa received serious external injuries.

In Original Jurisdiction 336 actions were instituted during the year 1931 as against 286 in 1930, 121 were disposed of during the year and 35 were settled or withdrawn before the trial, as against 130 and 63 respectively in 1930, says the report of the Registrar of the Supreme Court for the year 1931, which is to be laid on the table at to-day's meeting of the Legislative Council.

which form a useful addendum to my remarks.

I must apologise to Mr. J. E. Joseph, the Peak Hospital benefactor, for having inadvertently misdescribed him as Mr. J. E. Joseph, and I should be much obliged if the Editors would kindly make the above correction in the initial of the weekly editions of our local newspapers.

Yours faithfully,
J. P. BRAGA.

FRANK SHIELDS ENTERS FOR WIMBLEDON

U. S. Tennis Star Bound For London

It is announced the Frank X. Shields, the U.S. Davis Cup player, and finalist at Wimbledon last year, has entered the Wimbledon Championships this year.

Shields, entered the final round last year, but an injury to Shield's foot caused him to retire from the match, which he conceded to Sydney Wood. Hailing from New York, Shields is tall, and a hard-hitter. He is ranking No. 2 player in America.

OBSERVANCE OF EMPIRE DAY

"At Home" for Girl Guides.

21ST. ANNIVERSARY

In commemoration of Empire Day and also of the 21st anniversary of the founding of the Guide movement, an "At Home" for local Girl Guides was given at Government House on Tuesday afternoon, by H. E. the Officer Administering the Government (Hon Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G.) and Mrs. Southorn.

Every Guide troop and Brownie pack was represented. After carrying out an inspection of the assembly, H. E. the O.A.G. addressed them. He spoke of the meaning of Empire Day saying that throughout the Empire they were making an effort to bring the units of their scattered Empire more closely together.

At the conclusion of his speech, a little Brownie came forward and pinned a flower on the lapel of H. E.'s coat, and the girl in turn was presented with a doll, dressed as a Brownie.

Mrs. Southorn presented the Prince of Wales Banner to the winning troop—1st Kowloon Company—and the Dyer Cup to the runners-up—3rd Hong Kong Company.

An Empire tea was served, after which many games were played on the lawn and enjoyed by all.

"WARLIKE POLICY OF JAPAN"

Stated a Barrier to World Security.

London, Yesterday. Unless steps are taken against the war-like policy of Japan it will be impossible to give the Nations a feeling of security which is a condition of international disarmament, declares a statement issued by the General Council of the Trade Union Congress and the National Executive Committee of the Labour Party, pointing out that it is impossible to solve the problem of debts without international disarmament.—Reuter.

JUDGES' CONDUCT.

Deplored by Press and Public.

London, Yesterday. The public altercation between Lord Judge Scrutton and Mr. Justice McCardie in the King's Bench Court yesterday is deplored on all hands. Both Judges come in for severe criticism, the Telegraph saying that the provocation Mr. Justice McCardie received did not justify what was an unprecedented reference by one Judge to his hierarchically superior colleague.

The Times points out that the frank and fearless statements of judicial opinion are not incompatible with the exercise of tact and good manners. It is generally agreed that such incidents are liable to destroy the man-in-the-street's traditional respect for the Bench and his deep pride in the English administration of law. A contentious resolution has been tabled in the House of Commons by a Conservative member, criticising Mr. Justice McCardie, but it is regarded as of a formal nature and unlikely to be debated.—Reuter.

H. M. THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY

To-day is the birthday of Her Majesty Queen Mary. The warships in harbour were decked with flags for the occasion, and a salute was fired at noon.

NEW HOURS FOR WATER SUPPLY

But Unchanged for the Present.

A notice in connection with the water supply hours issued from the Hon. Director of Public Works to-day states:—

Metered Services and Old Street Fountains.

Except on Kowloon Peninsula and between Arsenal Street and Shauiwan (where the hours of supply from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. will remain the same for the present pending the completion of the new group street fountains in these areas) a three hours supply from the mains will be given each day, commencing on Friday afternoon, May 27, between the hours of—

7 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

In the following areas:—
(a) Area between Robinson Road and Caine Road,
(b) Macdonnell Road,
(c) Mountain View and adjacent high points,

the hours of supply will be—

5.30 a.m. to 7 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

New Group Street Fountains.

Except on Kowloon Peninsula and between Arsenal Street and Shauiwan, an 11 hours street fountain supply will be given from the new group street fountains daily from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., commencing at 3.30 p.m. on Friday, May 27.

WATER SUPPLY IMPROVEMENTS

P.W.D. Announce New Operations.

11-HOUR SUPPLY TO BE ALLOWED

The Director of Public Works has announced that on a date that will be announced later an 11 hour supply of filtered water will be provided under a new system of tapping the main trunk lines so as to serve 63 new fountains in Hong Kong, from Kennedy Town to Shauiwan and 29 in Kowloon and New Kowloon.

Under this new arrangement the amount of water supplied through meters will be reduced, but increased pressure will periodically be supplied so as to provide an improved service to upper floors and high points.

An appeal is again made to the public to avoid the waste of water, for unless consumption is considerably reduced further restrictions, involving greater hardship must be resorted to.

The hours of supply night and morning through metered services will at the same time be reduced and in order to meet the heavy demand which will be made on the Waterworks systems during these shortened periods of supply. Increased pressure in the Peninsula will for short intervals be given whilst in the City the five zones of supply have been sub-divided into fourteen separate areas over which, at intervals, higher pressures will be given than under existing emergency conditions with a view to improving the supply to upper floors and high points.

Its success however rests largely with consumers themselves who must confine their requirements to the absolute minimum and here consumers on ground and first floors can play their part by not hoarding or leaving their taps running.

The co-operation of the Public in the avoidance of waste is again most earnestly requested for unless consumption is considerably reduced further restrictions involving greater hardship must be resorted to.

Personal Pars.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Reinaldo Carlos Danenberg, of the Far Eastern Aviation Co., living in Liberty Avenue, Homantin, and Carolina Autha, da Cruz, of 1, Middle Road, Kowloon.

The forthcoming marriages are announced of Ernest Wong, of 727, Nathan Road, ground floor, and Lily Loy, of 774, Nathan Road, second floor; and of Ma Ngai-man, of the Industrial and Commercial Bank, living at 64, Wellington Street, ground floor, and Chu Kakan, of 12, Wing Wan Lane, first floor.

BRITISH BOARD DISDAINS NO-FOUL RULE.

WILL NOT APPLY TO GAINS-CARNERA FIGHT

The British Board of boxing control has announced that it will not countenance the American no-foul rule for the Carnera-Larry Gains fight, which is to take place on May 29.

Carnera is the Italian giant, and Larry Gains, is a Canadian negro, who recently defeated McCorkindale for the British Empire heavyweight championship title.

POLITICAL CRISIS IN JAPAN

Ended by Formation of Cabinet.

LONG AND DELICATE OPERATIONS

Tokyo, Yesterday. The grave political crisis following the assassination of the Prime Minister, Mr. Inukai, which threatened to create an upheaval throughout the country, has apparently been overcome by the formation of a National Cabinet, after long and delicate negotiations.

The new Premier will be the 73-year old Admiral, Viscount Saito, former Governor-General of Korea, who will also act as Foreign Secretary for the time being.—Reuter.

KAI TAK AERODROME

Expenditure of \$75,000 Proposed.

At this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Colonial Secretary will move:—

"That this Council approves of the expenditure of a further sum of \$75,000 on the Kai Tak aerodrome and hangar during the financial year 1932, which sum shall be met from a further loan and shall meanwhile be charged as an advance from the surplus balances of the Colony."

It is anticipated that approval will be secured as the matter had been discussed at some length at a meeting of the Finance Committee last month.

STREET FOUNTAIN DAMAGED

Chinese Uses Force to Obtain Water.

Cheung Pat, a Chinese cook, was cautioned by Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning when charged with damaging a street fountain at Sai Street on Tuesday. It was alleged by the Indian constable who made the arrest, that defendant on finding no water came from the fountain wrenched the tap forcibly until it came away in his hand.

Prosecuting, Inspector Shannon said that he had received numerous complaints during the day that the fountains in the vicinity of Staunton Street and Sai Street, seven in all were not providing water during the hours they were supposed to be turned on.

The incident in question occurred at 6-10 p.m. He stated that he did not think defendant meant to do damage, but was attempting to turn the tap, which was exceedingly stiff.

YANGTZE RISES 33½ FEET

Widespread Alarm.

Hankow, To-day. The continued rain is causing the Yangtze River to rise higher and higher causing widespread alarm. A report states that during the past fortnight the river has risen a foot daily and is now thirty-three feet six inches high. During last year's disastrous floods the river rose to a height of fifty-seven feet by July.—Reuter.

NEW FOREIGN MINISTER

Shanghai, Yesterday. Mr. Quo Tai-chi left for Nanking this afternoon. Reports that he will succeed Mr. Lo Wen-han as Minister for Foreign Affairs, his being revived.—Reuter.

ARREARS OF WAR DEBTS.

Payments to Be Spread Over 10 Years.

AGREEMENT WITH U. S.

New York, Yesterday.

The Governments of several foreign countries, including Britain, are expected shortly to sign agreements with the United States, providing for the payment of 252 million dollars, being arrears of war debts on which Mr. Hoover granted a moratorium last year.

According to the New York Times the payments will be distributed over 10 years at four per cent. interest.

Finland and Greece have already signed, and conversations are proceeding with Hungary and Germany. Unofficial communications are yet to be received from other nations.

It should be understood that the settlements now being concluded are merely to settle the terms on which the deficiencies during the Hoover year are to be paid and if, and when, the present scheme for debt repayment is to be resumed.—Reuter's American Service.

Misunderstanding Disappears. Sir John Simon cleared up a House of Commons misunderstanding on the Anglo-American negotiations when he explained that the American Government had requested the signature to the agreement regarding the repayment of last year's arrears of war debts. He declared that this formal step, which was necessary to give legal effect to Mr. Hoover's proposals, implied no decision on any question of principle.

Sir John Simon rejected Mr. Winston Churchill's suggestion that the formality might prejudice the Lausanne Conference, considering war debts and reparations.—Reuter.

SHOPKEEPER CHARGED WITH ARSON

Sequel to Shamshuipo Fire.

Chan Chuk, master of a haberdashery shop on the ground floor of No. 96, Nan Cheong Street, Shamshuipo, was charged with arson, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith appeared for the Crown and Mr. G. S. Hughes for the defendant. There were stocks in the shop which had been insured with the Wing On Insurance Co., for \$3,000 and furniture and clothing insured for \$1,500.

Mr. Whyte-Smith said the stocks had been valued by Mr. de Souza, the auctioneer, and estimated to value \$1,100, while the furniture and clothing had been valued at \$461.25.

At about 3.15 a.m. on May 3, an Indian constable heard a whistle sounded from Keelung Street, and saw defendant blowing the whistle. Defendant indicated that his shop was on fire.

Assisted by an Indian chauffeur, the constable and the watchman put the fire out with buckets of water.

Interrogated by the Police later, defendant was found to have in his pockets, two insurance policies and \$205 in cash, while a locked safe in his cubicle contained \$38 in subsidiary coin.

When charged defendant admitted setting fire to the shop, and confirmed his statement at a later stage.

The case was adjourned.

SHANGHAI POSTAL STRIKE

Wang's Efforts.

Nanking, To-day. Mr. Wang Ching-wel, viewing the rapid spread of the postal strike, to-day telegraphed to the provincial and municipal governments to take effective steps to prevent the spread of trouble, stating that the strikers have been given twenty-four hours notice in which to return to work. Failure to comply will result in their dismissal.

Mr. Wang Ching-wel also requests local telegraph offices and Chambers of Commerce to organize temporary offices for handling mail, until new employees can be engaged.—Reuter.

RELEASE OF MR. & MRS. NNOULENS URGED

Appeal By Mr. Yang Hsien-Fu

Nanking, To-day.

Mr. Yang Hsien-fu, Vice-President of the Academia Sinica and a member of the Kuomintang, addressed a lengthy appeal to the Central Political Council urging the release and deportation of Mr. and Mrs. Noulens who have been held for many months at Nanking on charges of Communist activities in China.—Reuter.

"THE CARUSO OF PORTUGAL"

Opera Singer's Visit to Hong Kong.

JAZZ AND TALKIES CONDEMNED

"Caruso is to-day the measure by which the world judges a singer," said Mr. Lomelina da Silva, the lyric tenor, during an interview with a China Mail reporter to-day.

"Each country claims to have its own Caruso, but there is no living singer who has taken his place. Some have a few of the qualities of the great master, but none are complete as was Caruso," he continued.

The average talking picture of to-day is Mr. Silva's pet abomination, and he attributes the wave of crime in America to this cause, but looks forward to the time when the production directors will turn to filming operettas.

Mr. Lomelina da Silva, described in America as the "Caruso of Portugal" is a man of striking personality, and one of the old school of singers. Born in Madeira Island, in 1896, he was destined at an early age for the army and attained the rank of an officer, but owing to his musical inclinations it was suggested to him to give up his military career for that of singing.

While in Hong Kong, Mr. Silva will present a programme in the Rose Room of the Peninsula Hotel on June 2.

"Madame Butterfly" Among the greatest singers of the day, Mr. Silva puts Tito Schipa and Beniamino Gigli in the front rank, while he speaks highly of John McCormack, John Sullivan and Marguerite Sheridan. The latter he describes as the finest "Madame Butterfly" ever seen on the stage.

Joseph Hislop, the famous British tenor, is another of Mr. Silva's choice of famous singers.

Expressing an opinion that many singers to-day try to ape the great Caruso, Mr. da Silva said it was a great mistake.

"Every singer," he said, "must stand or fall on his own merits, and often when they adopt the pose of other famous vocalists it detracts from their own performance and sometimes makes them look ridiculous."

Talkies "Terrible." "The talking pictures to-day are terrible," he said, and are the medium through which America gets much of her racketeer education. Producers to-day do not want good pictures, only a jazy musical comedy or a plot bristling with machine guns, speakeasies and gang warfare, but I believe the time will come when the producers will look to operettas as a source of production.

Mr. Silva declined to give his opinion on Chinese music, but from the enigmatic smile on his face one gathers that his interpretation is somewhat puzzling.

Enthusiastically acclaimed in Shanghai, Mr. Silva sings in five languages, English, Portuguese, Spanish, Italian and French, and was an outstanding success in America shortly before coming to China.

CONVICTS HIMSELF.

Defendant Insists That He Is Guilty.

A Chinese who insisted that he was the defendant in a case in spite of statements made to the contrary by Inspector Shannon and Sub-Inspector McWalter, was fined \$8 at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning, when charged with not having a proper licence as Queen's Road, on Tuesday.

Both Police Officers declared that the man in Court yesterday was not the same man who was arrested and released on bail, but the man insisted that he was an innocent.



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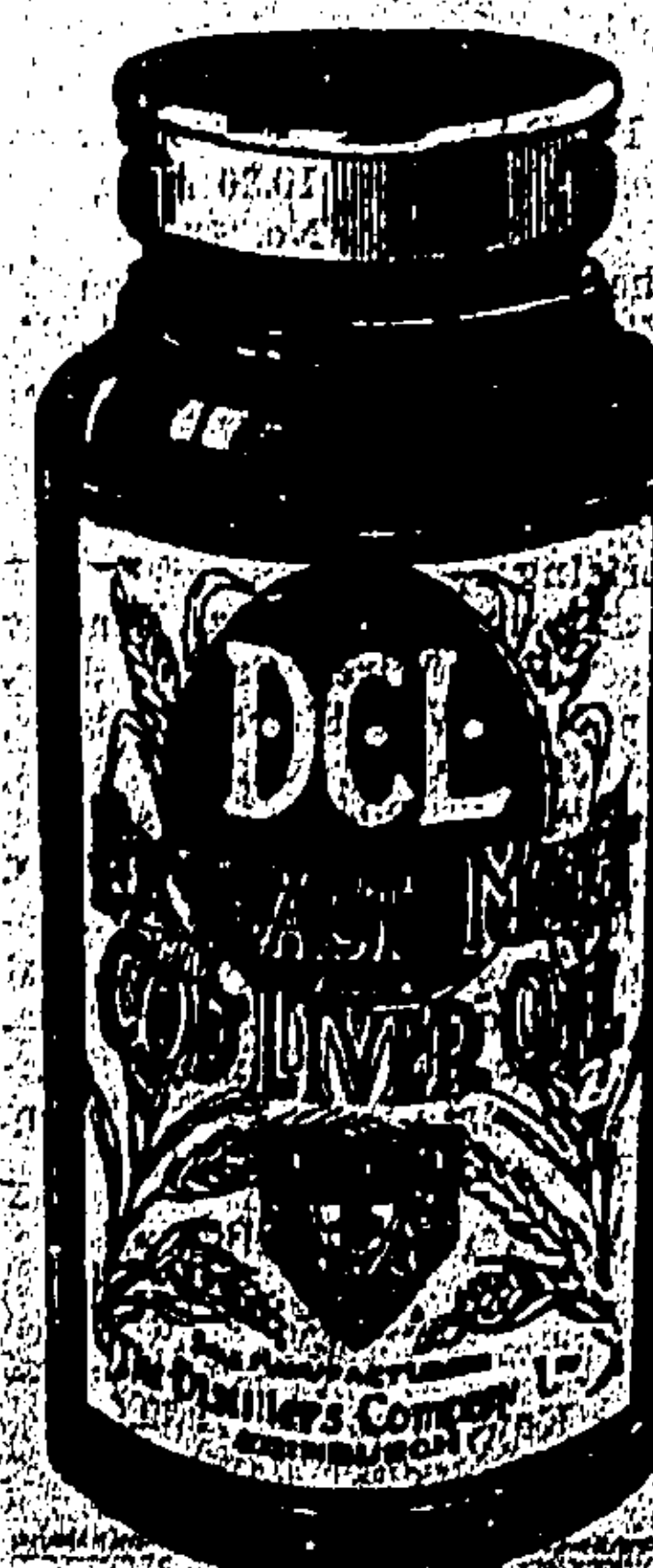
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"THE MIDDLE WATCH"

A farcical situation that is not too strained; suspense that is maintained until the last moment; first rate acting by a fine cast, artists every one of them—these are just a few good points that one may pick out from the new British International production "The Middle Watch" which opens to-day at the Queen's. Nothing quite so satisfying in the way of entertainment has yet come from any British Studio.

The story was taken from the famous play by Ian Hay and Stephen King-Hall, which scored such successes on the stage, having run for over a year at the Shaftsbury Theatre, London.

Owen Nares plays the part of Captain Maitland and Jacqueline Logan has the leading feminine role opposite him.

"PRIVATE LIVES"

Two unusual locations were used to obtain scenes of foreign locale for "Private Lives" in which Norma Shearer and Robert Montgomery are co-starring by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. The picture, an adaptation of the Noel Coward stage hit, will open on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre.

One location trip was made for the purpose of obtaining scenes of a Swiss Alpine background. In these scenes Miss Shearer and Montgomery are seen climbing sheer mountain peaks, guided by Jean Hersholt, playing the part of a Swiss mountaineer.

For these the company journeyed to Glacier National Park, in the northern part of Montana, almost on the Canadian border line.

The second location was nearer home, in Franklin Canyon, just beyond the slopes of the Hollywood Hills. This beautiful sylvan spot, which surrounds a broad lake expanse, was used for the French river ferry sequence.

Included in the cast of the hilarious romantic farces are Reginald Denny, Una Merkel, Jean Hersholt and George Davis. The picture was directed by Sidney Franklin who last scored with "The Guardsman."

"THE BLACK CAMEL"

One of the few foreign picture celebrities to make a "comeback" with the advent of the talkies, Victor Varconi, who has an important role in the Fox mystery, "The Black Camel", showing at the King's Theatre to-day, is rapidly regaining the prominence he held in the silent era of the films.

Born in Hungary, Varconi originally intended to follow a business career, but after a year or two of this work, he decided that he preferred to become an actor, and quitting his job, enrolled in the Theatrical Academy of Hungary. Here he displayed unusual ability.

While on a visit to America, he was approached by representatives of the De Mille organization, and went into pictures under that producer, scoring in such films as "Triumph", "King of Kings", "The Divine Lady", "Chicago" and "The Volga Boatman."

When talking pictures came in, Varconi realized his inability to speak English properly, and returned to Europe, where he spent several hours a day mastering English. He again came to America and began to regain his

former laurels with an outstanding performance in Fox Films "Doctors Wives".

Warner Oland, Salley Eilers, Bela Lugosi, Majorie White, J. M. Kerrigan, Murray Kinnell, Richard Tucker, C. Henry Gordon and Violet Dunn are in the cast. Hamilton MacFadden directed.

"OH, FOR A MAN!"

Reginald Denny, co-featured with Jeanette MacDonald in the Hamilton MacFadden production for Fox Movietone, "Oh, For A Man!" coming to the King's Theatre next Sunday interrupted a very promising stage career as a leading man to answer the call of his country in 1917.

Upon his return to England, he joined the 28th London Flying Corps and soon became a lieutenant. Later he was transferred and did night patrol duty and defence flying with the 12th squadron as an observer and machine gun operator.

Denny comes of an old English professional family dating back several generations, even farther back than the Barrymore family. He made his first appearance at the Court Theatre, London, in "The Royal Family." When he was sixteen he played bits and "walking gentlemen" with Charles Frohman's company at the Duke of York's Theatre.

He came to America for a short engagement with the production, "The Quaker Girl", but returned to England and toured there and in India with the Bandmann Opera Company, singing the leads over a period of two years in a repertoire of seventeen light operas.

His early silent screen work included leads with Alice Brady in "Dark Lanterns," Constance Binney in "39 East," and "Footlights" with Elsie Ferguson.

Universal signed him for the lead in the "Leather Pushers" serial series. He followed this with light comedy and farce leads in feature length productions for the same company.

Then came the advent of the talkies and Denny, because of his stage and screen experience, came into greater demand, his work in "Madam Satan" and "Three French Girls" causing much favourable comment.

"THE LAST PARADE"

Excitement, thrills, romance and drama will march into the Central Theatre to-day, keeping time with "The Last Parade." This Columbia attraction presents the highlights in the career of an overlord of the underworld, the leading character being portrayed by Jack Holt. This chief feminine role is played by Constance Cummings, who is remembered for her excellent work in another Columbia picture, "The Criminal Code."

The action and the dialogue, from the opening scene, take on a swift pace that carries all the characters along in the dramatic sweep of the story. The central figure, Cookie Leonard, thrust into the life of a racketeer by desperate circumstances, becomes at last the dominant factor in the gang activities infesting the city. His power is challenged by another racket leader, who later "takes for a ride" a friend of the gangland czar.

Besides Jack Holt and Miss Cummings, the cast includes Tom Moore, who is seen as the rival of Cookie for the affections of the girl. Gaylord Pendleton has the part of a newspaper reporter, who

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

6-8 p.m.—European Programme of Victor Records.

6-6.20 p.m.—Nutcracker Suite (Tchaikowsky). Played by Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra (A-7).

6.20-6.50 p.m.—A Concert. Etude Tableau (Rachmaninoff). Dance of the Gnomes (Liszt). Sergei Rachmaninoff (1184).

Song—From the Land of the Sky-Blue Water. Mary Lewis, Soprano (1140).

Cello Solo—Melody in F (Rubinstein). Traumeri (Schumann). Pablo Casals (1178).

Song—When Twilight Comes, I'm Thinking of You. Calling Me Back to You. John McCormack (Tenor) (1197).

Violin Solo—Rose in the Bud (Forster). One Little Dream of Love (Gordon). Renee Chemet (1132).

7-7.18 p.m.—Operatic.

Song—Carmen—Love is Like a Wood Bird (Bizet).

Carmen—Near the Walls of Seville (Bizet). Marguerite D'Alvarez (Contralto) (1145).

Orchestral—Tristan and Isolde—Prelude (Wagner). San Francisco Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Alfred Hertz (6585).

Song—Jolie Fille de Perth—Quand la flamme de l'amour (Bizet). Damnation of Faust—Mephistopheles' Serenade (Berlioz). Marcel Journet, Bass (1123).

Orchestral—Rheingold—Prelude (Wagner). Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Albert Coates (9163).

7.18-7.27 p.m.—Invitation to the Waltz (Weber). Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra directed by Leopold Stokowski (6762-3).

7.27-8 p.m.—A Selection of Dance Tunes.

Life is Just a Bowl of Cherries. This is the Missus. Rudy Vallee and His Connecticut Yankees (22783).

I Found a Million Dollar Baby. Sing a Little Jingle. Waring's Pennsylvanians (22707).

Lady, Play Your Mandolin. Mama Inez. Havana Novelty Orchestra (22597).

Good-Night Sweetheart. So Close to Me. Wayne King & His Orchestra (22825).

The Cute Little Things You Do. Kiss Me Goodnight Not Goodbye. Dear... The Troubadours (22782).

8 p.m.—Local Time. 8.05-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.

10.33 p.m.—Close Down. All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by the Tsang Fook Piano Co.

FIGHTING PLANES COMING

Nanking, May 8.

A shipment of 15 fighting planes purchased from contributions of overseas Chinese in America is due to arrive from America next month. These machines will constitute the Overseas Chinese Aviation Squadron, as named by their donors, who have also stipulated that they be devoted solely to national defence and bandit-suppression.

Is killed by Marino, the role played by Robert Ellis. Edmund Brees gives an exceptional performance as the city editor. Erle C. Kenton directed.

"The Last Parade" offers worthwhile entertainment.

AMERICAN FARMERS TO STUDY BUDDHISM

Recent Arrivals in Bangkok.

FROM IDAHO

Bangkok, May 10.

Reversing the traditional practice of middle-western Americans who come to the Orient to teach Christianity, two large-boned, solemn-faced farmers from the State of Idaho, where the big potatoes and Senator Borah come from, have arrived in Siam with the purpose of learning Buddhism and are now comfortably established at Wat Bhuparam on the West Bank.

Already they have visited Japan and China and in China they acquired black robes, the apparel of the Buddhist monks in that country, which they intend to wear until they have been ordained as Siamese priests, when they will don the conventional yellow robes.

They intend to stay in Siam several months. From here they plan to go to India to continue their study of Buddhism.

To a reporter for the Daily Mail the visiting students gave their names merely as Brother Zara and Brother Raum. They said they had no other names now, since they had decided to embrace Buddhism.

Born on neighbouring farms in Idaho, they had become interested in Oriental religions about ten years ago, they said, and had finally made up their minds to come to the Orient about a year ago.

"While all religions are based on the same fundamental principles, Buddhism has its own advantage over the rest of them inasmuch as the doctrines of the Buddha, if followed sincerely, afford the most practicable solution to the problems of the human race," Brother Zara told the reporter for the Daily Mail yesterday afternoon.

"The state of degeneration that has fallen upon all the religions of the world, including Christianity, is not so manifest in Buddhism," he added. "Especially in Siam, Buddhism stands on a firmer foundation than in China and Japan where Christianity exerts much more influence on the people in general."

The visiting monks said that the West is just beginning to appreciate the culture of the East and that Buddhist philosophy, if efficiently spread, will prove to be of immense value to Western minds. Christianity and Buddhism, they said, had many things in common, the essential difference, according to them, being that while Christianity was built on the foundation of Love and Faith, Buddhism was based on Wisdom and Enlightenment.

In their quiet quarters in Wat Bhuparam the American Buddhist monks are trying to learn the Siamese language so that they may be better fitted to study the practice of the religion here. They wear the apparel of Chinese priests at present for they can wear the yellow robes of the Siamese priesthood only after they have been ordained here, they explained.

SIR MILES LAMPSON AT PEKING

Peking, May 9.

Sir Miles Lampson, British Minister to China, arrived here this morning by the Tientsin-Pukow Railway. He is expected to stay in Peking for some time in order to readjust his official duties before leaving for Home on leave. Before his departure he will meet Lord Lytton and his party, who will visit again Peking shortly.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant; Dinner Dances at Hong Kong, and Peninsula Hotels, and King's Restaurant.

Entertainments. To-day—King's Theatre: "The Black Camel."

To-day—Queen's Theatre: "The Middle Watch."

To-day—Central Theatre: "The Last Parade."

To-day—Majestic Theatre: "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde."

To-day—Star Theatre: "Tiger Rose."

To-day—World Theatre: "Beau Ideal."

Home Malls. To-day—Outward for Europe via Siberia (Hakusan Maru), 5 p.m. Lammerts' Auction.

To-morrow—At Godown No. 18, The Hong Kong & Kowloon wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon miscellaneous goods, 10.30 a.m.

Meetings. To-morrow—Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., 59th meeting, Union Building, 11 a.m.

To-morrow—China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., 63rd meeting, Union Building, 11.15 a.m.

To-morrow—British Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., 66th meeting, Union Building, 11.20 a.m.

May 28—Extraordinary general meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., 11.30 a.m., at Hong Kong Hotel.

June 4—Annual meeting of shareholders of Peak Tramways Co., Ltd., at Hong Kong Hotel, 11.30 a.m.

NOVA SCOTIA DRAFTS STRICTER DRY LAW.

Truro, N.S., April 7.

Strengthening of the Nova Scotia liquor control act so as to provide for more effective enforcement of law is proposed in the bill introduced in the Legislature yesterday by Mr. G. S. Harrington, Premier.

Extensive amendments to the act are set out and it is believed of those charged with enforcement, that their task will be made 50 per cent. easier. Under the proposed changes, the liquor commission may, with or without notice to any person, prohibit anyone in a booting business from purchasing liquor at commission stores and thus preventing him from having liquor in his possession anywhere within the province while the order is in force. Such a person's residence, or any part of it occupied by his family, lodger or tenant, shall not be a residence, the bill declares.

Violators of that section of law would be subjected to severe penalties. Forfeiture of vehicles under the act will be made automatic by the proposed legislation.

These new regulations were brought about by strong representations from Truro temperance bodies that the liquor control act was no more effective than former legislation in preventing rumrunning and bootlegging.

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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Two Surprises at Muirhead.

HARTLEY BEATEN.

Muirfield, Monday.
 There were two surprises in the second round of the British Amateur Golf Championship.

R. Sweeney, the Oxford American, beat Roger Wethered by 6 and 4.

D. Stocks, an Edinburgh business man, beat Rex Hartley, the Walker Cup player, by 3 and 1.—Reuter.

LAWN TENNIS.

Hard Court Titles at Bournemouth.

PERRY BEATS ROGERS

F. J. Perry won the men's singles in the Hard Court Championships of Great Britain at Bournemouth on April 30, when he beat G. L. Rogers (Ireland), in the final by 4-6, 7-9, 6-3, 6-0, 6-2.

The match was begun in rain, on a slippery surface. Rogers gained a lead of 4-1 in the first set, the conditions preventing Perry from bringing his volleying powers into play. Perry played steadily to draw level at 4-all, but the Irishman took the set without further loss.

At 2-1 in the second set both men were slipping so badly that there was some talk of stopping the match, but it was continued. It was no longer raining, and under a driving wind the surface rapidly improved. Perry also improved, and though he lost the set he prolonged it sufficiently to take full toll of his opponent's physical resources.

In the third set Perry began a brilliant attack. Going from strength to strength, he banged his forehand drive into Rogers's backhand corner, and advanced and cut off the returns with wonderful volleys. If Rogers lobbed he found Perry deadly overhead. Rogers made little effort to get the fourth set after he had lost the first three games. He tried to slow Perry down in the final set, but it was all of no avail, and Perry won very easily.

Mme. R. Mathieu retained the women's singles title by easily beating Miss D. E. Round by 6-1, 6-2. The French woman's game of high efficiency, with its splendid variety of strokes and sound tactics, was altogether too much for her opponent, who was out-generalled and outplayed.

The final of the men's doubles was not played, the championship going to F. J. Perry and John S. Olliff by default, as R. Menzel, the Czechoslovakian, could not spare the time to partner A. Martin-Legay in the final.

The rain put an end to all further play for the day, when Mrs. L. A. Godfree and Miss G. R. Sterry were leading Mme. R. Mathieu and Miss V. H. Montgomery by 6-7, 6-2, 4-3, in the other semi-final of the women's doubles. It has been decided to complete this match and play the final in this event.

Men's Singles.—F. J. Perry beat G. L. Rogers, 4-6, 7-9, 6-3, 6-0, 6-2.

Women's Singles.—Mme. R. Mathieu beat Miss D. Round, 6-1, 6-2.

Mixed Doubles.—Mme. Mathieu and A. Martin-Legay beat F. J. Perry and Miss M. Healey, 6-2, 6-0.

Men's Doubles.—Semi-final: A. Martin-Legay (France) and R. Menzel (Czechoslovakia) beat H. G. N. Lee and H. K. Lester, 6-4, 0-6, 2-6, 6-3.
 Final: F. J. Perry and J. S. Olliff, w.o., Martin-Legay and Menzel, scr.

Women's Doubles.—Semi-final: Mrs. E. Pearnley-Whittingstall and Miss Betty Nuthall beat Miss M. Healey and Miss F. James, 7-5, 6-3, 7-5.

Orwell A Hot Favourite For The Derby

Colt's Wonderful Record

TWENTY-THREE ENTRIES FOR THE CLASSIC.

DASTUR AND HESPERUS

Twenty-three horses will start in the English Derby, to be decided at Epsom on June 1.

Among the entries is Mr. Washington Singer's Orwell, which is the present hot favourite. Orwell won the Two Thousand Guineas in April this year, beating the Aga Khan's Dastur and M. Boussac's Hesperus. The latter two are also starters in the Derby, Dastur being second favourite with Hesperus fourth.

Orwell won at events, the betting being 10 to 1 against Dastur, and 25 to 1 against Hesperus. Orwell, known as a two-year-old as the Golden Hair Colt, in winning five races and being placed third once earned the sum of £18,613 for his owner in 1931. His record is:—

1931:—3rd, Great Surrey Foal Plate; 1st, Chesham Stakes; 1st, National Breeders Produce Stakes; 1st, Champagne Stakes; 1st, Imperial Produce Stakes; 1st, Middle Park Stakes.
 1932:—1st, Greenham Plate (1 mile); 1st, Two-Thousand Guineas (1 mile).

Cameronian's Win.
 Mr. J. A. Dewar's Cameronian (Freddie Fox up) won the Derby last year, being three-quarters of a length ahead of Sir J. Rutherford's Orpen (Jones up), the same distance separating Orpen from Lord Rosebery's Sandwich (H. Wragg up). Cameronian's time was 2 mins. 36.3/5 secs.

Five also-runs of the 2,000 Guineas classic—April the Fifth, Loamingdale, Miracle, Rolling Rock, and Wyvern—are also starters in

the Derby, the full list of entries of which is as follows:—Peter Planet, Hesperus, Corcy, Celebrator, Porto Fino, Sunnyborough, Royal Dancer, Totai, Summer Planet, Buckle, Bacchus, Dastur, Firdausi, Jiwah, Wyvern, Miracle, Andrea, Orwell, Leighon, Jackdaw, Spencer, April the Fifth, Cockpen.—Reuter.

Official Club Betting.

(Run at Epsom on Wednesday, June 1, 1.14 m.)

9 to 4 agst. Orwell (t and o)
 10-1 — Dastur (o)
 100-7 — Cockpen (o; 100-6 t)
 100-6 — Hesperus (o)
 18-1 — Miracle (o; 20-1 t)
 25-1 — Wyvern (o)
 25-1 — Jackdaw the Second (o)
 33-1 — Violator (t and o)
 33-1 — Firdausi (t and o)
 33-1 — Loamingdale (o; 40-1 t)
 33-1 — West Wickham (o; 40-1 t)
 33-1 — Rolling Rock (o)
 60-1 — Jiwah (o; 66-1 t)
 The above quotations were offered in London on May 1.

BILL TILDEN HEADS U. S. TENNIS STARS

Vincent Richards Second on List.

William T. Tilden II, who was ranked at the top of the amateurs for ten years, heads the first ranking of the professional players to be made in America, as issued recently by the Professional Lawn Tennis Association of the United States.

Twenty-five players are listed in numerical order in the ranking, and four of those to be found in the top ten enjoyed a high rating as amateurs. In addition to Tilden, holder of the world's professional championship, the four include Vincent Richards of New York, Howard O. Kinsey of San Francisco, and Francis T. Hunter of New Rochelle, who are placed in the order named behind the Philadelphian.

Other Well-Known Amateurs Listed.

Three other players who won prominence on the courts as amateurs are included in the first ten. They are J. Emmett Pare of Chicago, No. 5; Charles M. Wood of New York, No. 7; Robert Seller of San Francisco, No. 8; Paul L. Houston of Washington, No. 6; J. Basil Maguire of Brooklyn, No. 9; and John J. Cardagna of Ardley, No. 10; are the remaining players to be ranked in the select group.

The committee of the Professional L.T.A., which compiled the rankings included Howard Kinsay, Charles Wood and Allen Behr.

The ranking of the first ten follows:—

1—William T. Tilden II
 2—Vincent Richards
 3—Howard O. Kinsey
 4—Francis T. Hunter
 5—J. Emmett Pare
 6—Paul L. Houston
 7—Charles M. Wood
 8—Robert Seller
 9—J. Basil Maguire
 10—John J. Cardagna

LOCAL FOOTBALL DISPUTE ENDS

Agreement Between F.A. and Chinese Club's.

MR. KOTEWALL'S WORK

The dispute between the Hong Kong Football Association and the Chinese football clubs has been settled at last.

The differences arose between the two parties some time ago, ending in the resignation en bloc of the Chinese clubs from the Association.

The Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., who was appointed mediator by the two parties concerned, has been able to bring about a satisfactory settlement.

A meeting of the Chinese football clubs was held last evening in the Chinese Merchants' Club, China Building, at the invitation of Mr. Kotewall, when the terms, signed by both parties of Friday, were ratified. Two resolutions were passed, one expressing thanks to Mr. Kotewall for his work, and the other thanking Messrs. Wong Kwong-tin, M. K. Lo, and Hing, the Chinese delegates, for their help in the matter.

It is understood that the terms of settlement will be published in due course.

KAYE DON.

To Attack Motor Speed Record.

London, Yesterday.
 Kaye Don, British motorist, is expected to make an official attack on the world water speed record of 111.7 miles an hour today or tomorrow. Yesterday, on Lake Windermere, he set an unofficial record of 112.7 miles an hour, without driving full out.

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A WHOLE WEEK'S NEWSPAPERS IN ONE.

Great interest was taken by local residents in the Empire Products Fair which was opened by H.E. the Honourable Mr. Wilfrid T. Southern, C.M.G., in the Peninsula Hotel on May 23, and continued on Empire Day. At the opening ceremony a colourful pageant was presented by local girls, representing Britain, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, India, China, Hong Kong and the New Territories. Fifteen thousand people attended the Fair, setting a new record figure for any assembly in the Colony. A full report of the Fair, together with an exclusive interview with H.E. regarding the function, is published in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

Hong Kong won the thirteenth Interport Cricket match at Shanghai on May 24, by 42 runs, after a very anxious period had been reached. Shanghai led by 23 runs on the first innings, and in their second knock Hong Kong had lost seven wickets for 53 runs, when A. H. Madar and G. C. Burnett pulled the game out of the fire by a partnership of 79 runs for the eighth wicket. Madar made 59, the biggest score of the match, while Burnett scored 29. In their second innings, Shanghai could do little against the attack of Minu, who captured six wickets for 49 runs. He also bowled well for the first innings, claiming four wickets. A detailed account of the match is published in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

On the evening of Empire Day, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., gave an interesting radio talk on the remarkable progress of the Colony since April, 1888. Sir Henry spoke of the founding of the University, the expansion of Kowloon, the discovery of the malarial mosquito, the discovery and adoption of wireless and the increase in hospital accommodation. His lecture is reported in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

The Shing-Mun water scheme was discussed at a meeting of the Legislative Council on May 19, when H.E. the Officer Administering the Government gave assurance that the Government was in entire agreement with the Unofficial members with regard to the necessity of immediately commencing work on the second section of the scheme. A full report of the discussion is printed in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

There was an enthusiastic gathering at the Peninsula Hotel on the night of May 24, when an inauguration dinner was held of the three new units of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.—The Anti-Aircraft Light Automatic Corps; the Army Service Cadre, and the Anzac Company. H.E. the G.O.C. and Commodore Walker were the guests of honour. A report of the function is given in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

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Dramatic Adventure In Scientific Work

Edison's Search for New Rubber Plant

STORY OF "GOLDENROD"

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There has perhaps never been a more dramatic adventure in scientific research than the one in which the late Thomas A. Edison engaged during the last six years of his life. He was seeking a plant that could be grown and harvested in the United States which would be capable of producing rubber in practical quantities. The story of what he accomplished forms a vital chapter in the great economic struggle resulting from the British scheme to restrict the exportation of rubber from her colonies in the Far East for the purpose of creating artificially high prices.

A Mighty Force.

When Mr. Edison took up the cause in 1925, a mighty force had rallied to my father's call, "Americans Should Produce Their Own Rubber." By that time his campaign against the British rubber restriction plan had fully aroused the people of the United States to the perils of the situation. In the three short years that it had been in operation they had seen the price of rubber jump from 14 cents a pound to \$1.23 a pound. Even the other rubber manufacturers, who at first had been made to believe that the British rubber plantation industry from bankruptcy, were at last ready to admit that drastic action was needed to lesson this heavy burden on the pocketbooks of American car owners.

Economic Independence.

It had occurred to Mr. Edison that if a plant could be found which would produce rubber in a practical way from the native soil of America, we would achieve one of our greatest steps toward economic independence. This belief my father shared with Mr. Edison, and accordingly he was more than delighted when, after careful consideration, Mr. Edison said to him, "I believe it can be done—and I'm going to try to do it."

If you will pause for a moment to consider the unusual circumstances surrounding Mr. Edison's decision, he had reached the goal upon which

you will see how inspiring to every man was his sudden appearance in this field of industrial battle. He was then in the seventy-ninth year of his life. Since early boyhood, he had been a prodigious worker in the realm of the unknown, toiling by day and into the long hours of the night to solve the mystifying problems of science, that he might make the world a happier and better place to live in. His contributions to mankind had exceeded those of any man who had ever lived. If ever a man was entitled to say, "I've done my share; my remaining days on earth will be spent in peace and quiet," it was Mr. Edison.

Energy of Youth.

But to stop while he still possessed the strength to carry on was contrary to the spirit of this great man. And so, plunging into the task with all the eagerness and energy of youth, Mr. Edison organized the Edison Botanic Research Corporation as a means of pressing on with his new work. It was a tremendous undertaking. Many men of younger years and lesser determination would have faltered in its presence and questioned whether it was not all too impossible to attempt. But these obstacles only served to spur Mr. Edison on to greater effort. They made him more resolute than ever that his days on earth must not end until surrounding Mr. Edison's decision, he had reached the goal upon which

THE WIZARD CONTROL.

Great Development of This Year.

Saving the average motorist hundreds of applications of the clutch pedal in the course of a day's driving. Buick's sensational automatic clutch, the leading feature of Wizard Control, is bringing forth enthusiastic commendations from all parts of the world, according to reports received in Shanghai.

The driver can also go into free wheeling and out of it without using the clutch pedal, the automatic clutch giving instant control of both free wheeling and conventional drive.

"A test run covered 232 miles and included every type of driving the average motorist encounters—country, suburban and city," Mr. P. Anderson of Messrs. Anderson of Ferroggiaro said. "The results were surprising, even to experienced motorists. They showed that the number of clutch operations reached a grand total of 848. This means that the clutch was disengaged 848 times and re-engaged 848 times in a distance of less than 250 miles."

"A hundred miles of the drive was over highways, with 24 stops at cross-roads. During this part of the drive the clutch was used 96 times. "Entering the city, the remainder of the distance was covered through traffic. The number of stops for lights and other reasons was 198. In this driving the clutch was used 792 times, a number that would seem incredible if it were not actually recorded on the counting machine."

It was pointed out that each time the clutch is fully depressed with the foot in the old type of operation a force equal to about 85 pounds is exerted. With Buick's automatic clutch, this work is performed by merely resting the foot upon the new clutch control button, power supplied by vacuum from the intake manifold moving the clutch.

"In the test drive above," Mr. Anderson continued, "the expenditure by the driver of an accumulated force equal to 29,680 pounds was eliminated."

ANOTHER DROP IN PETROL IMPORTS.

British imports of petrol show some rather remarkable decreases compared with last year. The imports for March, compared with February, were 19,048,822 gallons less, and for March this year contrasted with the same month of 1931 there was a decrease of 34,187,215 gallons, while for the three months the drop was 15,481,842 gallons. This represents a great falling off in consumption, and might be thought to suggest that more crude oil was being brought in for refining here, but there were all-round decreases here also. The figures are:—19,637,538 gallons less in March, compared with February; 17,947,135 less, contrasted with March, last year; and 26,755,764 less in the three months. This seems to indicate a great falling off in consumption.

his heart was set.

Vulcanised Rubber.

For six years he analyzed more than twenty thousand shrubs, trees and vines. And then, in 1931, just before his eyes closed in eternal sleep, he called my father to his home in New Jersey and showed him four pieces of vulcanised rubber which he had produced from pure rubber obtained from goldenrod cultivated on his Florida estate. He was too ill then to speak of his achievement, but the light in his eyes revealed how brilliant he was at having obtained seven per cent of rubber from the new strain of goldenrod which he had developed. This was more than 50 had dared hope for.

Economic Readjustment In Car Industry

Manufacturers Intent On Lowering Prices

GREATER VALUES APPARENT

Characterising the present economic readjustment as the greatest since the dawn of the automotive era, William A. Fisher, president of Fisher Body Corp., says from it are emerging the greatest values ever favouring automobile buyers. In spite of all the adversities which the readjustment has imposed, the buyer, in Fisher's own words, is finally "getting a break." His views, directed to the industry and business in general, follow:

"Probably there has never been a time when value meant so much—when manufacturers, not only of automobiles, but of every other commodity, were going quite so far in their effort to raise quality and lower price. They had to do it, of course. Persons forced to readjust their spending to keep within reduced incomes are buying only for their needs, and applying their measures of value more strictly than ever before. And even those less seriously affected are regarding the dictates of good taste, avoiding the display of wealth which expresses itself in 'swank,' and employing some of their plenty, at least, toward relief work of some sort."

"It was into a greatly changed setting that the automotive industry had to plan the introduction of its offering for 1932. Always in close contact with the economic pulse of the country, motor car manufacturers, months ago, fell into step with the times. Several of the new lines, reflecting these builders' convictions on the appropriate thing for these times, have now been out for some weeks. Buick and Chevrolet, to mention two with whose problems I am familiar, have thoroughly outdone themselves in the matter of value referred to, and their achievement may be regarded as more or less typical of the industry at large."

Many Body Advancements.

"Greater values are apparent from one end of the car to the other. There is an array of mechanical innovations seldom matched in any one year. But even

PARKING PROBLEM.

No New Puzzle to Civilisation.

The parking problem is no new puzzle to civilisation. It existed as far back as 1660, as is proven in an order issued in that year by Charles II. It reads: "Whereas the excessive number of hackney coaches in the city of London are found to be a common nuisance, the streets and highways being thereby made impassable and dangerous:

"We command that no person or persons permit or suffer said coaches to stand or remain in any of the streets."

RECORDS BROKEN BY STANDARD CO.

The Standard Motor Co., Ltd., announces that the sales of Standard cars for March have broken every record in the history of the Company. This announcement marks a peak in an industrial career which can only be described as sensationally successful. The rapid rise in popularity of Standard cars, particularly during the last year, is impressed upon one every day by the growing numbers of these cars one sees upon the road. Such prosperity in an otherwise depressed world is indeed a comforting fact, and reflects great credit on the manufacturers who with most accurate psychology produced cars which appeal to the general public and limitations of the economic conditions of to-day.

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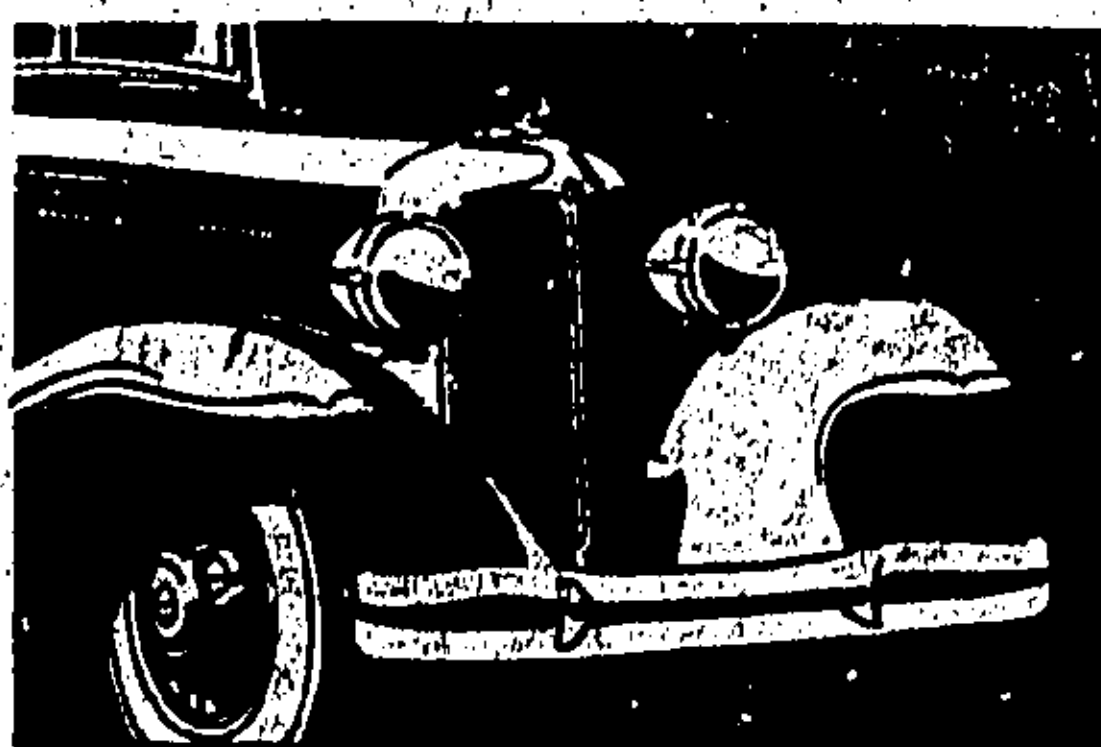
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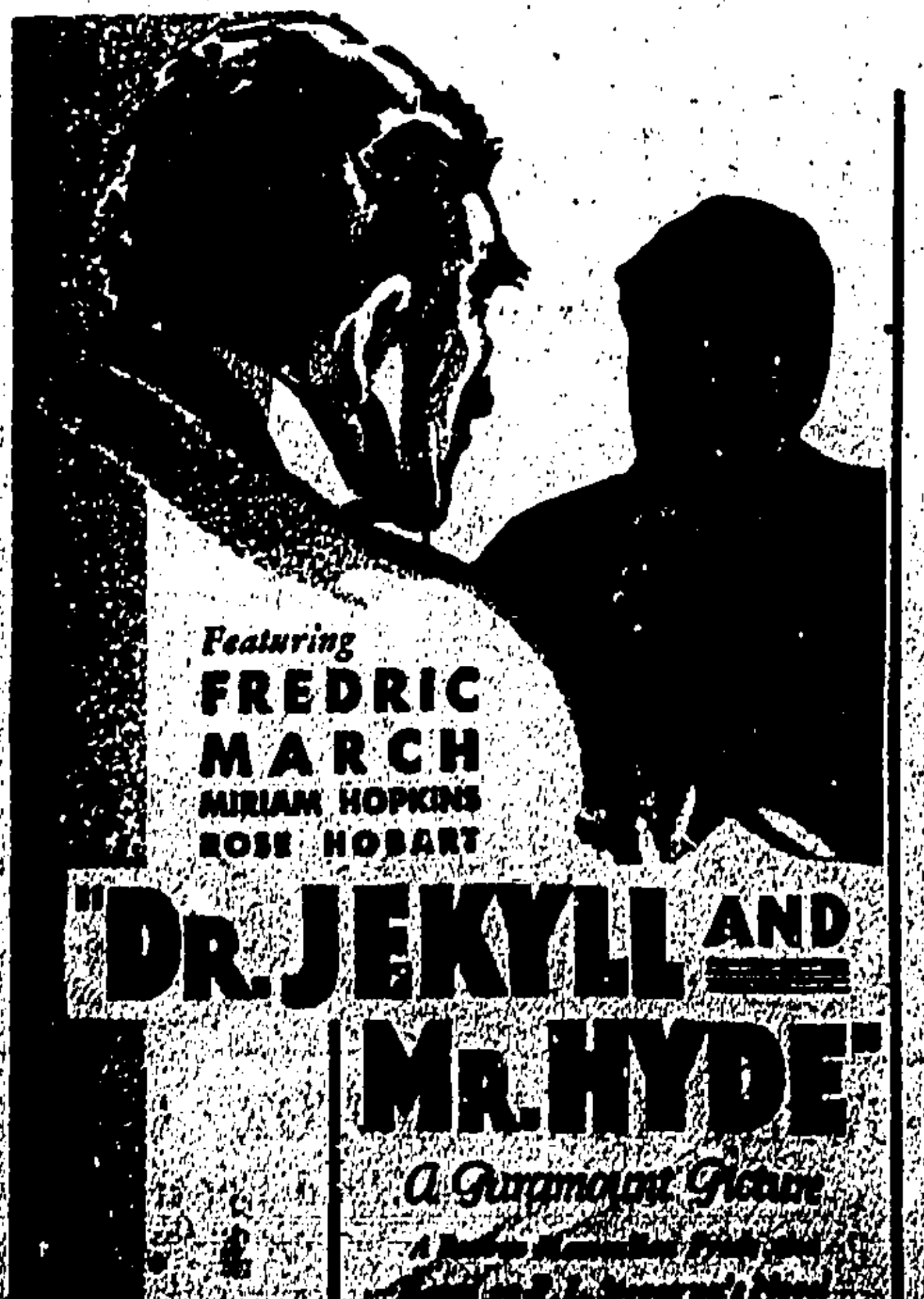
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AUSTRALIA TO ENGLAND

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Proposal by Australian
Companies.

Melbourne, To-day.
A proposal for a 16-day regular
fortnightly air mail service be-
tween Great Britain and Australia
will shortly be made to the
Federal Government by the Aus-
tralian National Airways, the
West Australian Airways, and
the Queensland Northern Terri-
tory Air Services.

It is proposed that the service
should start from Wyndham,
Western Australia, linking with
the Imperial Airways service in
India. The Larkin Aircraft Com-
pany suggests linking with the
Dutch service at Batavia. —
Reuter.

Record of 8 Days.
Air Commodore Charles Kings-
ford-Smith recently inaugurated
a regular air mail service be-
tween Sydney and London, flying
the first mail himself after the
plane had been crashed by an-
other pilot.

The new enterprise was not a
financial success and Kingsford-
Smith's Company was forced to
drop the venture for the present.

The record time for the Eng-
land-Australia flight is 8 days 20
hours 44 minutes, established
last month by Mr. C. W. A.
Scott.

VEHEMENT ATTACK ON GOLD STANDARD VIGOROUS STAND BY GENERAL SMUTS

SOUTH AFRICA'S POSITION

Capetown, Yesterday.

A vehement attack on the report of the Par-
liamentary Committee in favour of maintaining
the Gold Standard was made by General J. C. Smuts
in a speech before the Assembly.

He declared that adherence to gold meant na-
tional bankruptcy and accused the Government of
attempting to maintain its own prestige at the
country's expense.

He concluded by declaring: "Whatever may
happen in this House, the matter will be fought out
in the country to the bitter end." — Reuter.

[General Smuts was Prime Minister of South Africa from
1919-24.]

INDIAN OFFICIAL ARRESTED

Secretary of Trade
Union Congress

Madras, Yesterday.

Mukundlal Sircar, General
Secretary of the All-India
Trade Union Congress, has
been arrested.

His arrest is believed to
be in connection with an ap-
peal which he recently pub-
lished.—Reuter.

CRUEL TREATMENT OF NATIVES

Driven from Ruined
Villages.

STRONG BRITISH PROTEST

London, Yesterday.

Information received through the
League of Nations on military opera-
tions on the Kru coast of Liberia
show that 12,000 natives, have been
driven by the forces of the Liberian
Government from their ruined
villages into the bush in a manner
which admitted of no excuse and on
grounds which, taken at their
strongest, were wholly in adequate
declared Sir John Simon in the
House of Commons.

The League Council had recently
been considering remedial measures
proposed by the Liberia Committee
stated Sir John Simon. He
would continue to do everything in
his power to ensure that these
measures were both speedy and
effective.—British Wireless Service.

FINANCIAL CRISIS IN CANADA

Alarmist Rumours
Discounted.

GOVERNMENT PREPARED TO
PREVENT ANY COLLAPSE.

Ottawa, To-day.

The Canadian Government is not
proceeding with the proposed legis-
lation in connection with the pos-
sible financial crisis, and the al-
armist rumours now circulating in
London regarding the stability of
of several large Canadian corpora-
tions are officially discounted.

The Government is prepared to
take action to prevent any collapse
pending the expected economic re-
covery.—Reuter.

PLAN FOR DEEPENING ST. LAWRENCE RIVER

TARIFF DISPUTE HOLDS UP
U.S. NEGOTIATIONS

MR. RIDDIFORD'S EXPLANATION

CANADA USES TREATY
AS LEVER.

Ottawa, Yesterday.

In connection with the statement made by Mr. Richard Bennett,
the Canadian Premier, in Parliament, that the negotiations with the
United States for a treaty providing for the deepening of St.
Lawrence River had not been concluded, the newspapers declare
that Canada is holding up the progress of the treaty negotiations
pending the result of the Canadian protests against the proposed
United States' imposition of practically prohibitive tariffs against
Canadian exports of copper, lumber, and canned goods. It is as-
serted that the Canadian Government is using this lever to secure a
favourable trade consideration from the United States in view of
Washington's desire to conclude the treaty prior to the presiden-
tial election. — Reuter.

MR. RIDDIFORD'S VIEWS.

Expressing his opinion on the matter of the Treaty, Mr. W. J.
Riddiford, Assistant Canadian Government Trade Commissioner
told the "China Mail" this morning that it was quite true the Cana-
dian Government would not proceed with the negotiations for the
Treaty, until some consideration was shown by the United States
in regard to the tariffs on Canadian exports of copper, lumber
and canned goods.

"The whole treaty is being held up by the imposition of exor-
bitant tariffs," Mr. Riddiford said.

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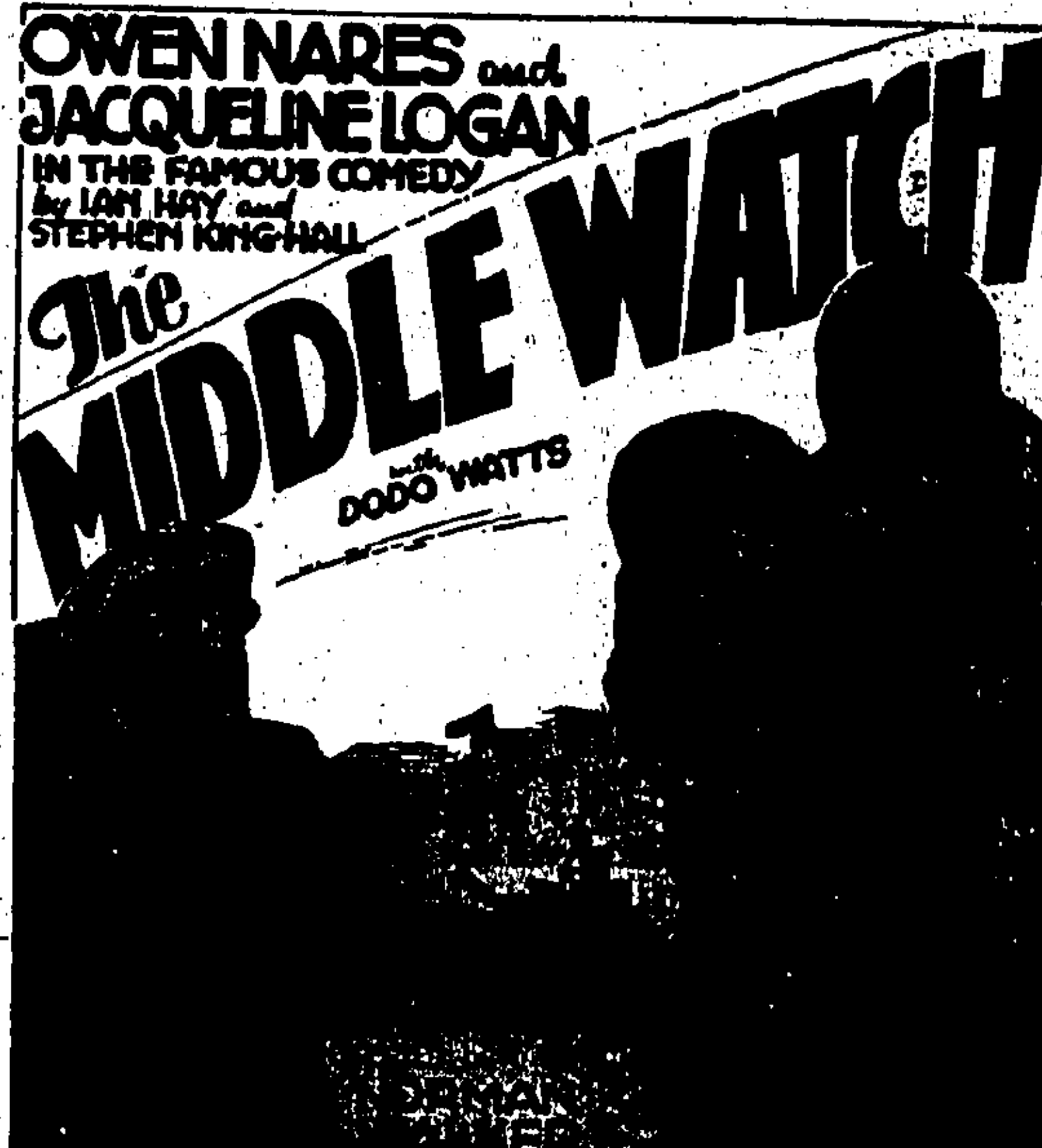
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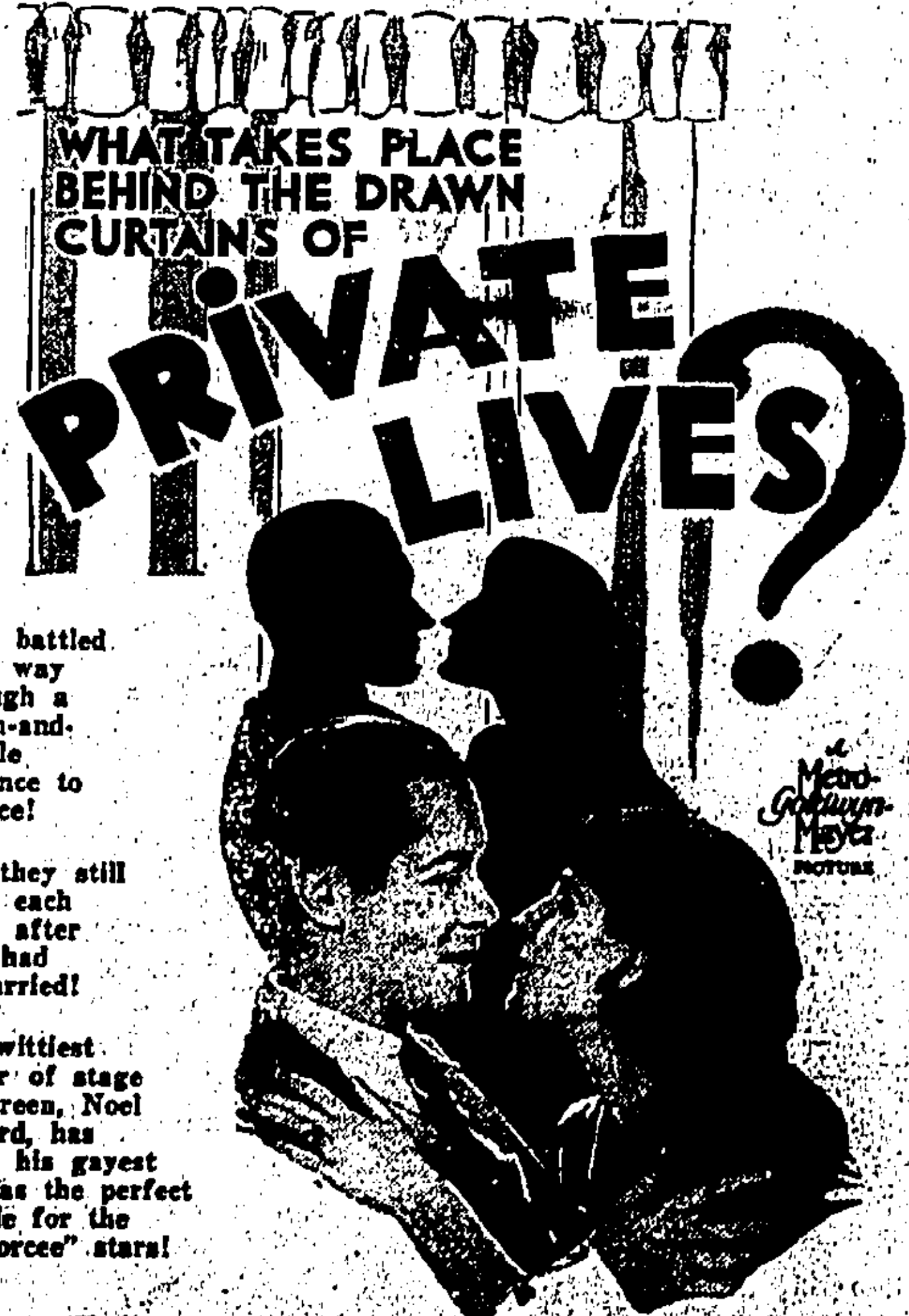
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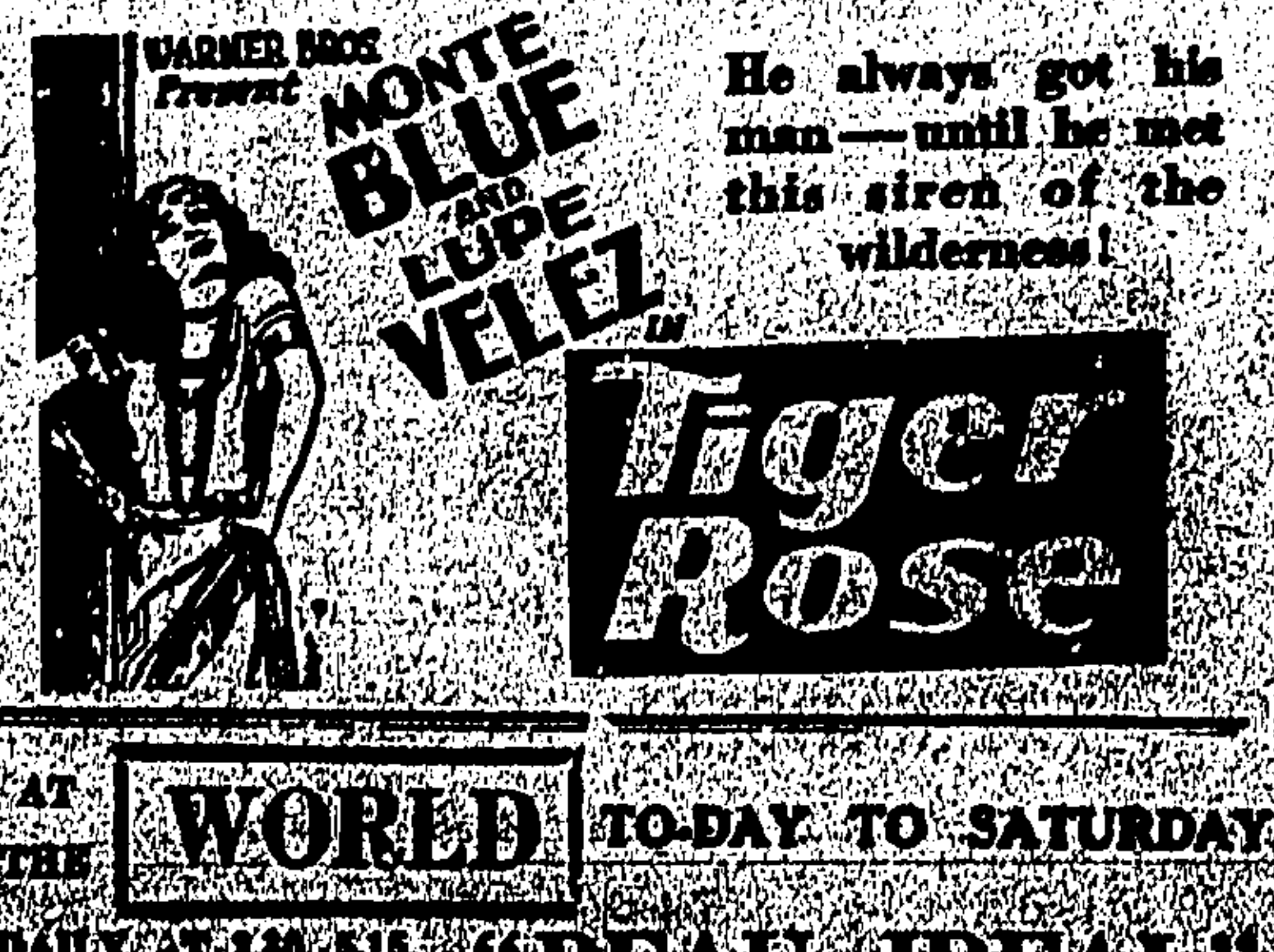


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